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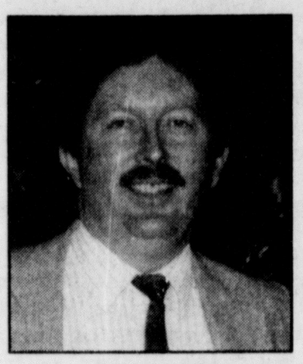
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Councilman proposes 'contracts' with local city neighborhoods

By David Weller

Along with most of the other city council members, Wes Beers spent several hours at the Maple-Holly residents' meeting two weeks ago listening to neighbors express their frustration and anger over city inaction, and listening to city staff members explain how they have been trying to address several of the problems in the neighborhood.



WES BEERS

In response to the obvious frustrations on both sides, Beers has begun trying to come up with ways to improve communication and problem solving abilities between city government and the neighborhoods.

"We need to find a new way to address the problems in the neighborhoods. We've been working on some of the issues (raised at the meeting) for a long time, but the people in the neighborhood only know that they are not getting results.

"Some progress has been made, but there are definitely problems that need to be solved. We're not the enemy. We want to work with the residents," he said.

Beers' idea, which is still in its infancy stage, is to get the city to enter into agreements with neighborhood representatives.

"What we really need to do is sit down with a representative group of neighbors and look at the issues that concern them."

As an example, he used the four-way stop issue at the corner of Michigan and Maple. He suggested that the residents would know what is happening on the issue if representatives from the city and the neighborhood were to sit down together and come up with a plan to address the problem, including a set time-line.

"We sit down and lay out a plan so the group can see things are actually being done. Within a certain number of days we intend to get this far.

"If problems come up, we go back and say, here are some options: we can't get stop signs now, but maybe a speed hump will help in the meantime.

"This would have two functions. First, communication with the neighbors about what the city does, and what it can or can not do about the problem. And second, it would help the city to continually narrow down the issues to focus on how to solve them. "I want to see us form a partnership, where everybody is on the same page. Let them (the residents) set the priorities for their neighborhood's needs. It vests the neighborhood in the whole program," he said.

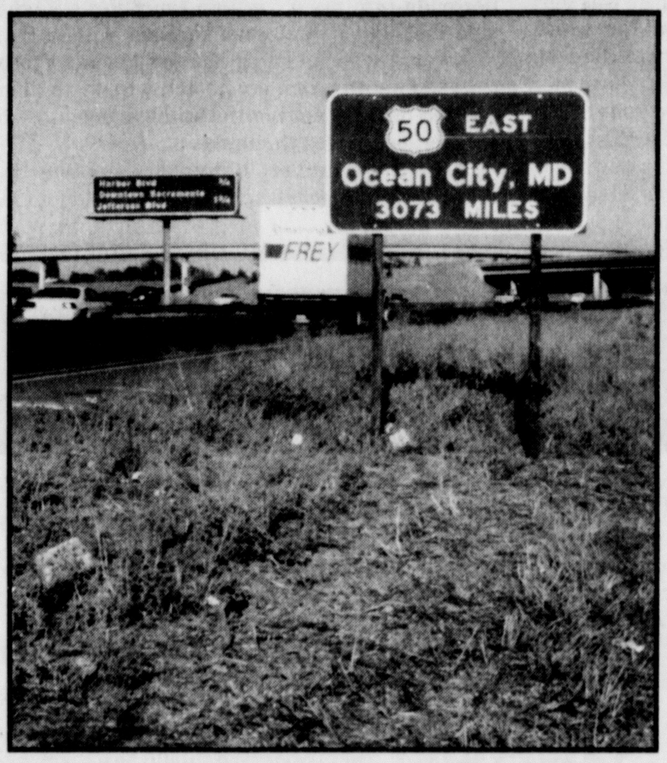
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The Maple-Holly neighborhood would be a good place to start, according to Beers, because it has already been a high priority area for the city.

Beers mentioned several other issues discussed at the meeting which could be addressed by a joint effort between the neighborhood and the city. Some of them would require long-term solutions, such as deciding whether the city can afford to cover the storm drain running through the neighborhood to the west of Westfield Elementary.

Other issues could be addressed in a more timely fashion, such as making sure the neighbors know who to call if they see people illegally throwing things into the ditch, or organizing volunteers to go out into the street and act as crossing guards for the school children.

It's a long walk



You may have noticed this sign on eastbound U.S. 50 in West Sacramento, near where I-80 peels off for Reno.

The sign marks the spot where U.S. 50 begins its cross-country trek to the east coast, where it terminates at Ocean City, Maryland.

It was installed Aug. 14 by CalTrans.

CalTrans spokesperson Pat Miller said a corresponding sign marks the other end of the freeway in Ocean City, although that sign lists the mileage not to West Sacramento, but to Sacramento.

Why not West Sac?

"I haven't a clue," she said. "Perhaps because West Sacramento is not very well known."

Not, evidently, as well known as Ocean City, New Jersey.

Caltrans, city at odds on safety

By David Weller

Some Southport residents say they have not noticed the additional signs and reflectors Caltrans has placed at the Jefferson Blvd bridge in order to make in safer.

Although the city would like to do more to increase the level of safety along the Jefferson corridor, which the city council has declared unsafe, Caltrans does not agree with the council's declaration.

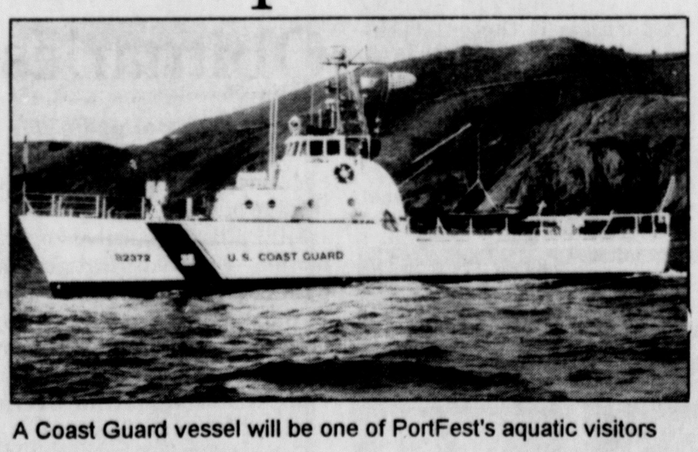
"Caltrans has essentially said that they're in disagreement with us about the safety of the corridor," said Councilman Wes Beers.

"Our next real focus is going to be a light at Devon," We're going to push hard to get a stoplight there," he continued.

According to Beers, the traffic flow coming out of the Arlington Oaks neighborhood will never be sufficient to justify a stoplight at Devon in the eyes of Caltrans because there are not enough people living there.

Instead of challenging Caltrans' statistical data, Beers believes that the city can most effectively challenge the transportation department's unwillingness to allow a stoplight there by getting the state legislature to pass a law requiring Caltrans to give local concerns more weight when applying traffic standards.

Food, games, entertainment and ship tours at PortFest '95



A Coast Guard vessel will be one of PortFest's aquatic visitors

By Pat Rice
PortFest '95

PortFest '95, West Sacramento's premier festival, will celebrate its third annual jubilee on September 16 and 17 at the Port of Sacramento, located off of Harbor Boulevard. Saturday fun begins at 9 a.m. and lasts until 10 p.m. Sunday hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

PortFest began in 1993 as a part of the 30th anniversary of the Port of Sacramento. "It was a celebration of transportation and a way to let people know about us," said Steve Roberts of West Sacramento's Chamber of Commerce. "But we had such a good time, we decided to do it again!" This year's PortFest opens on Mexico's Independence Day and that adds to the gaiety. "PortFest '95 is shaping up to be the biggest and best yet," Roberts added. "It's a free public event the whole family will enjoy."

The prime jewels at PortFest '95 will be several large vessels to view and tour. Some ships scheduled are the Mexican destroyer Natzahualcoytl and the two-masted Cuauhtemoc, both compliments of the Mexican Navy; and the Alma and Point Brower, American.

These are only four of the many different ships and boats to be seen at the Port. There will be crafts of leisure and crafts of hard labor, power boats and hobby boats, small paddle boats and classic old boats, and shows and races. And para-sailing and barefoot skiing demonstrations and a regatta, too. Whew!

But PortFest '95 isn't just for looking at things. "This year's event will have a wide array of family activities and entertainment as well," committee chair Rose Marie Moore said.

Little ones getting bored? Let them join the "Fun Run." Or bring them to the Children's Faire and the Giant Sandbox or big Box City where imagination becomes innocent reality. Or let their creativity take wing at W.U.S.D.'s Art Fair.

"If you like music, you're going to love PortFest '95!", entertainment chair Rusty Mendez promised. Two stages -- one for bands and one for international dances -- are set up for both days and will provide round-the-cock music and entertainment by some great local talent. Bands like Gringo Loco, Latin Magic, and Los Portillos De Norte and many more. And dance groups like Folklorico de Woodland and Ebo Okokan and Club West and others.

Saturday evening will be extra special as we help the visiting Mexican sailors celebrate their country's Independence Day. Fireworks, traditional dances, ceremonies, and good food will fill out the festivities.

"But there's still more to do!", adds Lauri Haven, events chair. "Want to ride

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City agency fighting for land

By Steve Marschke

The West Sacramento Redevelopment Agency may go to court to force the sale of 2 1/2 acres near the east end of West Capitol Ave., in order to remove a source of blight and facilitate development across the street at the Raley's Landing project.

A demolition contract for the vacant buildings on the three adjacent sites was put to public bid last month.

"They're in the process of acquisition by the agency by 'eminent domain,' " said Val Toppenberg, deputy director of the agency, which is administered by the city council. "Eminent domain" is the process by which a public agency can force the sale of land by private owners when a public necessity can be shown.

The buildings include the defunct Broderick Market, a vacant building formerly used as a clinic (and which was once proposed as a methadone treatment site), and an adjacent property most recently used as a church. The three properties are located on the north side of West Capitol, west of 4th Street.

The properties are separately owned by two groups of members of the Kwong family and by the Wentz Construction Company, none of which wants to sell, said Toppenberg.

"We are expecting to ultimately go to court on these properties," he added. "The property owners have not agreed to sell. In part, it's a matter of price, but also the Kwong family has indicated they simply don't want to sell."

The owners could not immediately be located for comment.

"The purpose (of the acquisition) is to consolidate and clear acreage in key areas close to the waterfront (where the city has plans for redevelopment)," the agency official said. "These are immediately across the street from the area in Raley's Landing where we hope to see some development soon."

Toppenberg added that the vacant buildings were "blighted, appearance-wise," and also are "attracting an unsavory clientele."

By cleaning up the property, he said, "we make the whole area more attractive to development."

Agency will report on affordable housing

By David G. Jones
Community Relations
Redevelopment and
Housing Agency

At its next regular meeting on September 11, the West Sacramento Housing Advisory Commission will hear a housing status report prepared by the Redevelopment Agency Housing staff.

The purpose of the report is to present an overview of 1994-95 affordable housing production programs in West Sacramento and their relationship to the city's housing element and the adopted housing implementation plan.

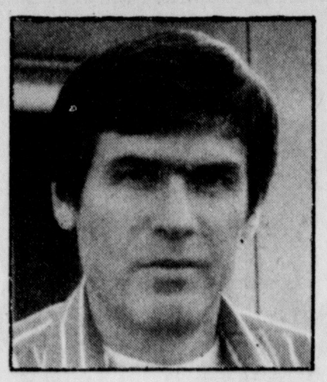
The report in part will discuss agency efforts focusing on housing rehabilitation and new construction, including multi-family developments, senior housing, and single family homes. Programs include Woodrow Wilson Manor for seniors, West Capitol Courtyard and Holly Courts for families, the Shared Equity Program for single family home ownership, as well as strategic planning studies.

To fund many of these programs, the city annually competes for housing grants. The city has been successful in seven out of eight years in securing Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) rehabilitation grants totaling $3.5 million and has received five planning and technical assistance grants totaling approximately $150,000. A recent $500,000 CDBG grant will be used to rehabilitate a facility for transitional housing at 515 "A" Street. In addition, this year the city submitted a successful application for $1 million in new construction HOME funds, $990,000 of which helped finance the West Capitol Courtyard development.

This report will be discussed more fully at the next Housing Advisory Commission meeting on September 11 beginning at 6 p.m. in the West Sacramento City Council chambers, 2101 Stone Blvd., second floor.

Remembering a long ago night on a Southeast Asian beach

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

A couple of Saturday nights ago, just as the sun was beginning to set, I plopped down Indian-style on a deserted stretch of Dillon Beach to have myself a good think. I had a number of unrelated thoughts bouncing around in my head, but much to my surprise, I was suddenly overwhelmed by a bitter-sweet memory which hadn't crossed my mind in almost three decades.

As I looked out at the waves rolling in on top of each other and strained my ears to take in the calming sounds they each made, I found myself thinking back to the tiny South Vietnamese seaside village of Vung Tau, where I had been sent in September of 1969 for a three week convalescent stay.

Vung Tau was as secure as Vietnam got and I spent my slow-moving mornings and afternoons leisurely laying around in my wonderfully clean bunk thinking about home and how lucky I was to be in one piece and far away from the fears and uncertainties of combat. I also kept asking myself the same question over and over again -- when will Nurse Condos return?

Nurse Condos was three or four years older than me and in charge of my daily care. She was very conscientious and matter-of-fact about her duties, but she was also extremely attractive and had one of those thin yet busty bodies which young men thousands of miles from home in a war zone dream of almost nightly. To her professional credit, however, she did absolutely everything in her power to camouflage her stunning figure in a baggy and colorless uniform, but the task was truly impossible.

Late one night, long after Nurse Condos had completed my hated 'evening irrigation', which consisted of pouring a giant bottle of hydrogen peroxide into my wound and making my whole side feel like it had been torched with a flame thrower, I was shuffling along a moonlit stretch of beach not far from my hootch when I suddenly spotted her -- seated in the still warm sand -- obviously lost in her thoughts.

Being the relatively brave person I was back then, I strolled over and asked if I could join her, whereupon she tactfully informed me that she had a strict rule about never spending any of her off-duty time with patients. But five minutes or so later, obviously exhausted from hearing me say, "Oh, please, oh please?" over and over again, she kindly relented, with the condition that, "You have to promise me there'll be no moves, no romance, nothing!"

As we talked, I learned that her tour of duty was almost over and that she had spent most of it as an OR nurse at the 93rd Evac in Long Binh, where I had been operated on. She even knew the surgeon who had patched me up. "On nights like this," she said softly as she gazed out at the sea, "when God's in his heaven and everything seems so peaceful, it's hard to believe people are dying all around us, isn't it?"

"War must really be hard on an operating room nurse," I said. "I can't even image it."

She slowly nodded her head and finally said, "I'm afraid I've seen young boys with blood spurting out of more holes than I could count. They'd come in with wounds I had never seen back in the states -- bellies that didn't even look like bellies anymore; burn cases where you knew they'd never make it; traumatic amputations of every kind and description; and head wounds that nobody had the time or expertise to deal with. It was so awful -- working in the O.R. -- and I'm worried that it's changed me forever." When she realized tears were beginning to roll down her cheeks, she immediately wiped them away with the back of her hand.

"You'll be okay once you get out of here," I assured her, not knowing what else to say.

"I wish I could believe that," she said, "I really do. But to tell you the truth, I'm a basket case. That's why they took me off OR duty and sent me here. It's like a part of me has just died -- and it's the part of me I always liked the most."

"Which part is that?" I asked her.

"I used to really care about everyone," she explained. "When one of my soldiers died, I'd cry. I cried over each and every one of them. Then after a few months, I just stopped. I couldn't cry anymore. It's like the best part of me is as dead as all those poor young boys."

"You're crying now," I reminded her.

Without looking at me, and much to my surprise, she reached over and very gently took my hand into hers. "You're right," she said a good minute later, no longer trying to wipe away the tears, "I am crying, aren't I?"

Then she let the flood gates burst -- and I sat there with her for what seemed like the longest time -- my hand in hers -- trying to think of something to say -- wondering if she knew I was as scared and alone as she was -- wishing she would look over at me instead of up at the distant stars and out at the indifferent sea -- and feeling guilty -- even ashamed -- that I ached to make love to her.

T.J. Smoot

'T.J. Smoot' is the pen name of a West Sacramento resident who prefers to keep his identity private. His column appears every other week in the News-Ledger.

Sometimes I think thoughts all by myself and sometimes they just come, like inspiration from On High, or from the muses, if you will. Whatever the source, recently I had this thought: "What if I were King of West Sacramento!" As king I could make a divine decree from my lofty perch, waive the royal scepter, and say with nose raised high, "It shall be thus!" A bunch of burly Musketeers with foofy feathered hats would then ride around the kingdom making it "thus." I think it'd be pretty cool. If I were king and could have West Sacramento "my way" I think I could make this town a whopper of a place to live.

First the name has to go. No more references to Thacather. Nope. We should be a town without an allusion to another city.

A decade ago when I lived in PRD (Peoples Republic of Davis) and commuted through on I-80, I assumed West Sacramento was part of Thacather. It was an honest mistake, given the locations and names of each city. I think until we make a conscious break with Thacather, there will always be confusion. So If I were King my first royal decree would change our name to something cool and Spanish sounding, like "Santa Smootura," or "San Smootierra." After all, this IS California. We could make a claim to being the latest mission town, long forgotten, but really intended to be founded by Father Junipero Serra himself, that is, had he lived another few centuries.

Secondly I'd declare crime illegal and give any and all prostitutes, drug dealers, car jackers, and thieves a one way ticket to anywhere outside of California with the proviso that if they returned, they would have to pick up freeway trash eight hours a day for two years, wearing shirts that say "I was arrested in San Smootierra and all I got was this lousy T-Shirt." Then I'd decree the city-owned Vacation Inn the new City Hall, thus creating a center of town. Heck, I'd declare it to be the center of the known universe. Kings can do that sort of stuff. I'd make a big circle drive in front of the entrance because all important looking edifices have circle drives. The converted Inn would get a big flag pole, a face lift a la stucco/mission era complete with a real ringing bell, and since Hollywood Hardware has yet to erect a statue outside their gate, a larger than life replica of the founding padre himself. In fact, every building on that block would have to be "missionesque," even the carwash, laundromat and liquor store. I'd rename Merkley Avenue "NIMBY Lane" and convert the two south lanes in front of the Post Office into landscaped, grassy knolled lawns and additional parking for businesses. Nimby Lane would then be a two way, curvy street with bike lanes, lined with benches and big trees like sycamores, camphor and pistache. Then I'd add a few speed bumps in front of city hall to keep traffic at a thoughtful crawl. Next that orange cinderblock building next to Hollywood Hardware would be converted into an indoor boutique/bait store/movie theater complex, complete with a street accessible frozen yogurt shop (because Queen Smoot likes frozen yogurt).

The I'd create "Smoot Parque" across from the Post Office and stock it with lots of lush lawn, trendy benches, light poles with frosted globes for evening atmosphere, meandering walkways of crushed granite, a fountain, and a mini-playground for the kiddies. Since crime would be illegal, the parque would be safe, but just to be sure, I'd have a small, community-based police station and 24-hour croissant shop located across the street. Ahhh, life would be sweet in San Smootierra if I were king.

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Local music festival will be radio topic

"Los Lobos" and "Mumbo Gumbo" will be discussed by Don Schatzel, director of Parks and Community Services, today on "Kaleidoscope," the weekly Chamber of Commerce radio show. Schatzel will bring listeners exciting information about the music, food and fun at the Riverbank Music Festival. Tune in as radio host Lane Shapiro interviews Mr. Schatzel.

The weekly radio show airs live from Johnnie's Sidewalk Pizza, 1301 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento, between 12:05 and 1 p.m. on Radio KJAY -- 1430 AM.

Rusty Mendez of Mendez Productions is the entertainment director for PortFest '95. Tune in next week on September 13 as she presents a special musical program on "Kaleidoscope."

Sponsors of "Kaleidoscope" are Johnnie's Sidewalk Pizza and the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce.

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Obituaries

Mearl Leroy Ballard

Mearl Leroy Ballard died in Sacramento on Aug. 29, 1995 at the age of 56.

Mr. Ballard is survived by his mother, Florence Hardgraves; by children Kevin Ballard, Cory Ballard and Karen Davis; by brother Larry Talbert; and by three grandchildren.

Mr. Ballard lived in Sacramento County for 35 years.

Graveside services were held Sept. 1 in the Fair Oaks District Cemetery. The family requests that memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are under the direction of River Cities Funeral Chapel in West Sacramento.

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SPORTS

River City High Sports News

Raiders set for season opener Friday with coach Massey again at the helm

Rick Hall will coach jayvees and Chris Baker will lead the RCHS freshman football squad

From River City High School

The River City High School Raiders open their 1995 season this Friday, September 8, against C.K. McClatchy. The home game will be held at Gwinn Field on the River City campus. The junior varsity game is at 5:30 and the varsity game is at 7:30.

Head coach Rod Massey is enthusiastic about the coming season. A veteran cadre of running backs combined with an experienced offensive line has the Raiders setting their sights on the playoffs. Running backs Jaimes Timas, Josh Castro, and Randy Byard will be running behind linemen Sam Savala, Steve Hawkinson and Art Hernandez. The offensive will be headed by sophomore quarterbacks Gary Herren and Marc Palamidessi. Coach Massey expects to use a balanced attack with varieties of the wishbone set.

Offensively, the Raiders have several holes to fill. The linebacking corps of Craig Martinez, Angie Correa and Timas should be solid. Coach Massey expects to use a great deal of stunting out of his 4-4 defense to keep opponents off-balance. Angel Cardenas and Abel Raymundo will be solid in the Raiders' secondary.

Junior Varsity

First year head coach Rick Hall has a good turnout and is looking forward to the coming season. Quarterback Nick Pravdzik, running back Barry Golden, halfback Ian Branaman, lineman John Zonneveld and Bryan Kanelos appear to be part of a solid nucleus of players.

Freshman

Head coach Chris Baker takes the helm of River City's new freshman football team. Wide receiver Malcom Floyd, tackle Ben Ochoa, halfback Dominique Alpers and tight end Juan Yanez hope to bring the Raiders success in their inaugural season.

Marshall alums plan some golf

A golf tournament for all James Marshall alumni and friends will be held on Sunday, October 8, at Davis Municipal Golf Course. The cost for the 18-hole scramble is $40 and includes fees, cart, prizes and more. After the tournament, golfers will be returning to West Sacramento for an awards dinner at a local pizza parlor. Non-golfers are welcome to reserve a spot and join in the after-tourney party for a mere $5.

Based on early responses, it appears this casual, multi-class reunion will be a popular event. The planning committee has already heard from alumni representing J.M.H.S. classes of 1968 through 1978. Alumni from River City and Washington will also be participating. Tournament slots are filling quickly, so register today.

Persons interested in the golf tournament and/or the pizza party should call 371-5420 for more information.

The Sports Insider

By Richard Novoa

The 49ers survived a big scare by the New Orleans Saints last Sunday, winning their first game of the season 24-22. The 49ers' defense came through in the clutch.

The 49ers fumbled four times, losing two of them, and committed a third turnover on an Elvis Grbac interception. Young injured his neck and is listed as "probable" for Sunday's home opener against Atlanta.

Speaking of home openers, the Oakland Raiders fans celebrated the return to Oakland with a 17-7 season-opening victory over the defending AFC champion San Diego Chargers before a sell-out crowd of 50,323. The Raiders travel to Washington next Sunday to play the Redskins. The Raiders are favored by four points.

Just when you think the baseball season is over for Bay Area fans, the Giants and A's are still alive in the wild card chase. The A's are 2 1/2 games back and the Giants are within 5 1/2 games of the L.A. Dodgers.

The best news in baseball is the Cal Ripken story. On Wednesday, Cal Ripken will have played in 2,131 consecutive games to break Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130. Ripken has played every game since May 30, 1982.

The Sacramento Knights lost in overtime 7-6 to the Arizona Sandsharks on Sunday before 7,567 fans at the Arco Arena. It's the first time the Knights have lost two games in a row, losing 8-7 on Friday to Las Vegas. The Knights still remain in first place and begin a road trip on Thursday in Pittsburgh and then move on to Washington, D.C. for a game in the nation's capitol.

See ya next week!!

River City High School sports contest calendar for the coming week

The following River City High School sports events are scheduled for Thursday, September 7 through Tuesday, September 12:

Thursday, September 7: Freshman footballl at Marysville; Soccer vs. Dixon at River City; and volleyball at Winters.

Friday, September 8: Football vs. McClatchy at River City.

Tuesday, September 12: Soccer vs. Victory Christian at River City; and volleyball vs. Sacramento Waldorf at River City.

Sports Quiz
by Larry Duncan

1. What sport begins in front of the south stake?
2. What state in the U.S. grants the most fishing licenses?
3. In what country would you find the world's highest golf course?
4. What is the age of the horses that compete in the Kentucky Derby?
5. Which is the only Southwest Conference football team not based in Texas?
6. How many Olympic Games were cancelled because of World War II?
7. How many consecutive misses constitute the elimination of a high jumper?
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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

Where personal liberties start; where they end

Here are a couple of personal freedom issues culled from the last couple of weeks' news:

■ Sharp-eyed readers may remember last week's police log item in the News-Ledger in which a man was arrested for extending his middle finger (an "obscene gesture") and shouting the traditionally accompanying obscenity.

The arrest was made by an off-duty officer, and the man was charged with a part of the law making it criminal to use words which will "provoke," or likely cause a violent reaction from others.

No doubt, there were interesting circumstances surrounding the whole incident, although the full context didn't make it into the newspaper. The man may truly have been a perceived threat to others.

But the question is a freedom of speech issue.

To what extent do we have the right to express opinions, even if they are distasteful or include obscene words or gestures? When should they become a crime? How much latitude should police have in arresting people for words and gestures?

■ From this week's news, we get the beginning of a story in which West Sacramento's Redevelopment Agency is working on the acquisition of some privately owned property near the east end of West Capitol Avenue.

The owners do not want to sell. The Redevelopment Agency wants to buy it anyway, in order to remove a source of blight that they believe hinders development of a private project across the street (the "Raley's Landing" property).

The Agency has no immediate use for the West Capitol Ave. acreage other than to level it. In doing this, they hope to lessen the eyesore of the property and reduce the number of undesirable people and activities on it.

The Agency plans to go to court if necessary to force the sale of the land under the principle of "eminent domain," in which a public agency can force the sale of land if the public good from it can be shown to outweigh the private hurt.

Some extreme conservatives feel that private property rights are always paramount, and there should be no such thing as eminent domain, even if a single property owner's stubbornness holds up the development of an entire freeway, dam or hospital.

Most politicians feel that in some circumstances, "eminent domain" has its place and that there is simply no a lot of vital public projects could get done without it.

But is the use of "eminent domain" justified here, on the east end of West Capitol, where the primary purpose is to aid a private development (albeit one that is good for the community)?

Letters to the Editor

Election by district

I had the pleasure of attending the meeting at the Westfield School on April 23. It was very rewarding to see the large number of concerned citizens. I would like to mention to these good people that perhaps they are under-represented.

There are ten elected officials in the City of West Sacramento. Are you aware that all ten reside in the southern part (south of West Capitol Avenue) of our city?

Perhaps if we elected representatives by district it would not be necessary to have neighborhood meetings because we would have an elected representative to demand the service we pay for.

Sixty-eight percent of our population live in the northern part of our city, but our local government is controlled by representatives whom all live in the southern portion. I would like to see this change, and have every part of our population equally represented.

Anyone who would like to join me in an effort to bring equal representation to all our citizens may contact me at 371-6633.

HAL WILLIAMS
West Sacramento

MediCare

(An open letter to Congressman Vic Fazio, D - West Sacramento):

I would like to discuss with you a matter which is of vital concern to those who are receiving Medicare/Medicaid.

The Republicans "Contract With America" proposes to decrease Medicare coverage to those eligible by over $900,000 but at the same time reduce the tax burden on the wealthy (those who make $200,000 or more) by almost $13,000. In other words, thirteen people who receive Medicare/Medicaid assistance would be forced deeper into poverty so that one wealthy person benefits from a tax break.

This, sir, is a travesty and must not be allowed to happen. This injustice seems to be a part of the Republican cape and only serves to broaden the economic gap between rich and poor.

If you concur with this argument, then I would expect you to fight against this measure(s) with every fiber of your being. I propose that you set up a "13-1) club as a means to fight. That is to say, establish a club, among voters, who are willing to go to the polls in order that their rights be protected. This can be accomplished by:

1) Marketing a button with the numbers "13-1";

2) Collateral contacts to help distribute the button coupled with a nominal contribution (say $5) to defray costs, from each voter willing to participate;

3) A "contract" to voters that any laws designed to help the needy will not be reversed so as to help the privileged few (etc.);

4) Request that those concerned proudly wear their button as a means to show support to your cause and hopefully to recruit others. Also, as a means to show that the "Contract With America" is a fraud and that any number of the House or Senate who votes for such a fraud is in danger of losing her/his seat.

Please be assured that many people are seriously concerned about this issue, and should these concerns come to fruition, there may be some drastic changes when both Democrats and Republicans try to seek re-election.

CHARLES B. VASI
West Sacramento

Questionable recycling

In the 1970s, during my college years, I was recycling glass, aluminum cans, newspapers and more. So when I returned to the Sacramento area in 1980 after college, I was quite disappointed to find that there was no place in the Sacramento Valley to recycle steel cans. Currently I am known to many of my co-workers as the "recycling guy," and continue to do my part at home with composting and recycling of cardboard, office paper, and magazines -- none of which are picked up at my curbside.

So it seems like a natural thing for me to support the MacMillan Bloedel newspaper recycling plant. It is recycling, jobs, and tax revenue for our community -- a sure fine winner! Maybe.

MacMillan Bloedel has been recently trying to downplay the potential impacts for cyanide, mercury, and other toxics released into the Sacramento River from their plant. They say it might not be a problem.

Okay, I say.

But then MacMillan Bloedel says, "We wouldn't be proposing this project if we weren't convinced in our own minds that we will be protecting the environment...it's simply not in our interest...we wouldn't want to proceed."

Now I have a problem. These folks who claim to be "protectors of the environment" are the very same Canadian timber giant who is currently clear-cutting old-growth forests in Clayoquot Sound, British Columbia.

The Environmental Impact Report for the paper plant raises many questions. I cannot trust MacMillan Bloedel to provide the answers. This proposition of a newspaper recycling plant is just too risky for our community.

ALAN CANDEE
West Sacramento

Opposed to plant

My name is Mark Montemayor. I am 24 years of age and I have been a resident of West Sacramento for 24 years. I grew up in the community many of us know as Southport, played at Our Lady of Grace, graduated from Our Lady of Grace, and lived in the same house that I grew up in for 24 years.

All this time in my life, I was proud of my hometown. When I was attending the University of California at Davis, I was not embarrassed in stating my hometown of West Sacramento, despite the disdain of some of my peers as being compared to Rio Linda. I grew up in a semi-rural community, feeling fortunate that there was relative open space close to the downtown Sacramento area, and a place where I was surrounded by neighbors who took pride in our community.

Now, I am starting to bear witness in the decay of my hometown. I see boarded up buildings and vacancies throughout the "downtown area" of West Sacramento. I experience prostitutes, drug pushers, and pan handlers harassing me as I go to the grocery store for a gallon of milk. I drive through an entire region of the city that is nothing but piles of concrete. All these things happening are not uncommon to other places in America, but here in West Sacramento? A city that only has a fraction of the population of Sacramento is apparently overrun by vagrants on our two most visible sites -- West Capitol Avenue and the shores of the Sacramento River. We are looked upon as an eyesore by patrons on Old Sacramento! What is happening to my hometown?

Presently, there are plans in the works to develop my own little neck in the woods, Southport, to realize the "dream" of the city. Presented in glossy and colorful presentations, consultants and city staff presented a "vision" for Southport. This vision includes something of a "village concept" for residential housing, various industrial parks, commercial centers, recreation areas and a high school. All these things sound good, and it looks good from wonderfully drawn illustrations on poster board.

Then reality sets in.

Behind the vision is a mess of finding the funding such things as a new bridge. Also buried within the details are such "visions" as a sewage treatment plant, along with a paper plant. Infrastructure wise, my street of Jefferson Blvd. in the planning stages of being expanded from a two-lane highway to a six-lane thoroughfare. The end effect of this plus a required ditch to be dug would amount to 2/3 of our front lawn being utilized for the "vision." This vision to me is looking more like such nightmares as Del Paso Blvd., Auburn Blvd., and West Capitol Avenue. Also, city staff has informed the residents of Jefferson Blvd. that this widening, together with architectural details as an 18-foot median with plants, is already part of the grand plan for Southport! I personally interpret that this plan for Jefferson Blvd. is non-negotiable since the "vision" of West Sacramento resets with every little detail of infrastructure (i.e., the Palamadessi Bridge, sewer plant, water lines, etc.).

I then read an article on the front page of the Sacramento Bee on August 7 with detailed follies on the Waterfront Project. The article was very educational on how this city has been unable to do anything. With the financial difficulties that the city faces in this time of development and redevelopment, why are there so many citizens of my hometown so concerned that the city is not sensitive enough for the homeless?

I personally feel ashamed that we (the city) are not devoting enough citizen focus and involvement in the development of our own West Sacramento downtown. Prosperity and demise, I believe, begin at the heart and diffuse out. In this city's case, this is the downtown. When the day comes where we can all be proud instead of ashamed of the center of our hometown, we then will be better able to develop other parts of the city like Southport. With a successful downtown, West Sacramento will be better able to spread the prosperity to other parts of the city.

I am not proud when we put of new banners that say, "Welcome to West Sacramento." This is not an accomplishment worth being proud of. An accomplishment worth being proud of would be to fill vacancies, such as the old Shakey's pizza parlor.

Trust in my hometown leaders is at an all time low. Staffers and elected officials alike may care a whole lot, but caring is not accomplishing. My father cared about people, but he knew it was not enough just to care, he became a physician. Despite being one of as many Filipino families as I may count on my

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OPINION

LETTERS

from page 4

right hand in a time when sensitivity did not matter, my father became a well-respected doctor in the community, with his office on the same street as our home. He moved here because he saw a community he could be proud of, get involved in, and make a difference. He died proud of his community. I do not want to leave ashamed of my community, but at the rate things are now going on in my hometown, there will be nothing but sadness and despair in my hometown.

MARK MONTEMAYOR
West Sacramento

Thanks, Rotary

When I read about the death of Byron Vannak Sims in the August 16 edition of your paper, it prompted me to do what I had intended to do for several months -- write a thank you to the wonderful citizens of the local Rotary Club for perhaps preventing another needless tragedy such as this.

The Rotary has a program to provide "Children at Play" caution signs to neighborhoods. I first saw them on Todhunter. A few months back, they were gracious enough to donate them to the Community Parks and Recreation Department for installation on Stone Boulevard. The city council approved the installation. We have major traffic on Stone Boulevard which is the site of Sam Combs Park. Children dart out into the street to cross to the park with no adult supervision. The signs have helped tremendously to raise all our consciousness that children at play do not always watch where they are going. It is up to drivers to observe speed and safety restrictions.

Since our local Rotary has to purchase these signs, it represents a donation to the community of West Sacramento. When we add up all such activities of this wonderful group, it is little enough to sit down to write a brief, but heartfelt thanks. The members of this group should take pride in making the future news better for all of us.

JULIA K. McMICHAEL
West Sacramento

Paper plant concerns

Growing up in a family of West Virginia hillbillies, summers were simple. If the larder was full, we added a little Jello mix to our glass of water. The rest of the time we just drank water. But it was deliciously cool, clear water, like the song by the "Sons of the Pioneers"; it was especially sweet if it was sipped from a tin or enameled cup.

It seems so ironic that this basic joy is denied my own children. Pardon my paranoia, but my children can choose from milk, cranberry juice or Snapple; but no water. My husband was born in West Sacramento and for 47 years he has trusted the water, but I'm afraid of it.

I moved here in the throes of romantic love and it was months before I came down from Cloud 9 and noticed the water tasted terrible (one could actually smell it in the shower). I looked around and realized I was surrounded by industry. I read about the concerns over cancer clusters in West Sacramento over the years. Each study seems to conclude with the same recommendation that more studies were needed. But when the new water plant came on line, I relaxed a little.

Then, in the space of three years (1987-1990), we lost all four of our parents. My wonderful mother-in-law (Broderick resident, age 64) and my own precious mother both died of cancer (they even shared the same doctor). Our fathers died shortly after, primarily of grief. My brother and two other close friends have so far survived bouts of cancer. The years of hanging out in hospital oncology wards and watching loved ones suffer has taken its toll; I am highly suspicious of all industry involving toxic waste.

Today your paper told of Susan Kempton's suffering the ultimate agony, the devastating loss of her five year old daughter to brain stem cancer. I applaud her great courage in reaching out for answers. Several years ago, my husband was visiting his brother's commercial garage in Broderick when some customers (a local couple) were called home on an emergency. Their young daughters came home from school, lay down for a nap and never woke up. It turned out to be some type of rare, undiagnosed blood cancer. I guess I've become a wacky cancerphobic but since then, my "drink no water" rule has been in effect.

Tonight on "Prime Time Live," Sam Donaldson (also ill with cancer from viewing the atomic bomb testing in New Mexico) hosted a segment on the high rate of cancer in towns where the Champion Paper Plant dumps wastes into the Pidgeon River in Hartford, Tennessee. The rate on some types of cancers tested from 1980 to 1993 is 144 percent higher than the national average.

The main cause of the greatly increased cancer rate is believed to be dioxin, which is a by-product of the chlorine used to bleach paper. This plant has "state-of-the-art" technology but the EPA says there is no way to adequately test the levels of dioxin in the river because it can be 700 times over the safe limit before detected (testing with the most sensitive equipment available). I know the MacMillan/Bloedel Plant worry is mercury and cyanide. The dioxin problem is supposed to be nil -- but this report stated there is no way to recycle and bleach paper (even using new improved bleaching compounds) without some dioxin residue.

Sam's story contrasted video of the plant belching out ugly plumes of smoke while the barbershop bubbas joked about the stench being the smell of money. Meanwhile, across town, grieving families blamed themselves for letting their dead children ever drink water, or eat fish, or swim in the river. He reiterated the familiar equation: economic interests vs. value of human life.

Seeing the three-eyed fish and deformed wildlife, I could only pray, "Please, God, make this MacMillan/Bloedel monster go away. Protect our rivers and our children. Amen."

HOPE HERR
West Sacramento

Sound Off!

'Sound Off!' is your opinion call-in line. For rules of participation, please read the shaded box on page 4.

This week's comments:

In the 'Letters to the Editor' about not all bad people living in the motels, I feel sorry for the ones that have to live there, because they are mixed in with druggies and prostitutes.

Where would we put our relatives if they come to visit? We wouldn't want them to be subject to that, so why should these people have to be? Why can't the motel owners clean up?

■■■

I would like to applaud the city council for finally moving on the Sonic issue. . . If they just keep with it and West Sacramento finally holds strong and shows some leadership to become the premier city we're claiming to be, then kudos to them for that. . .

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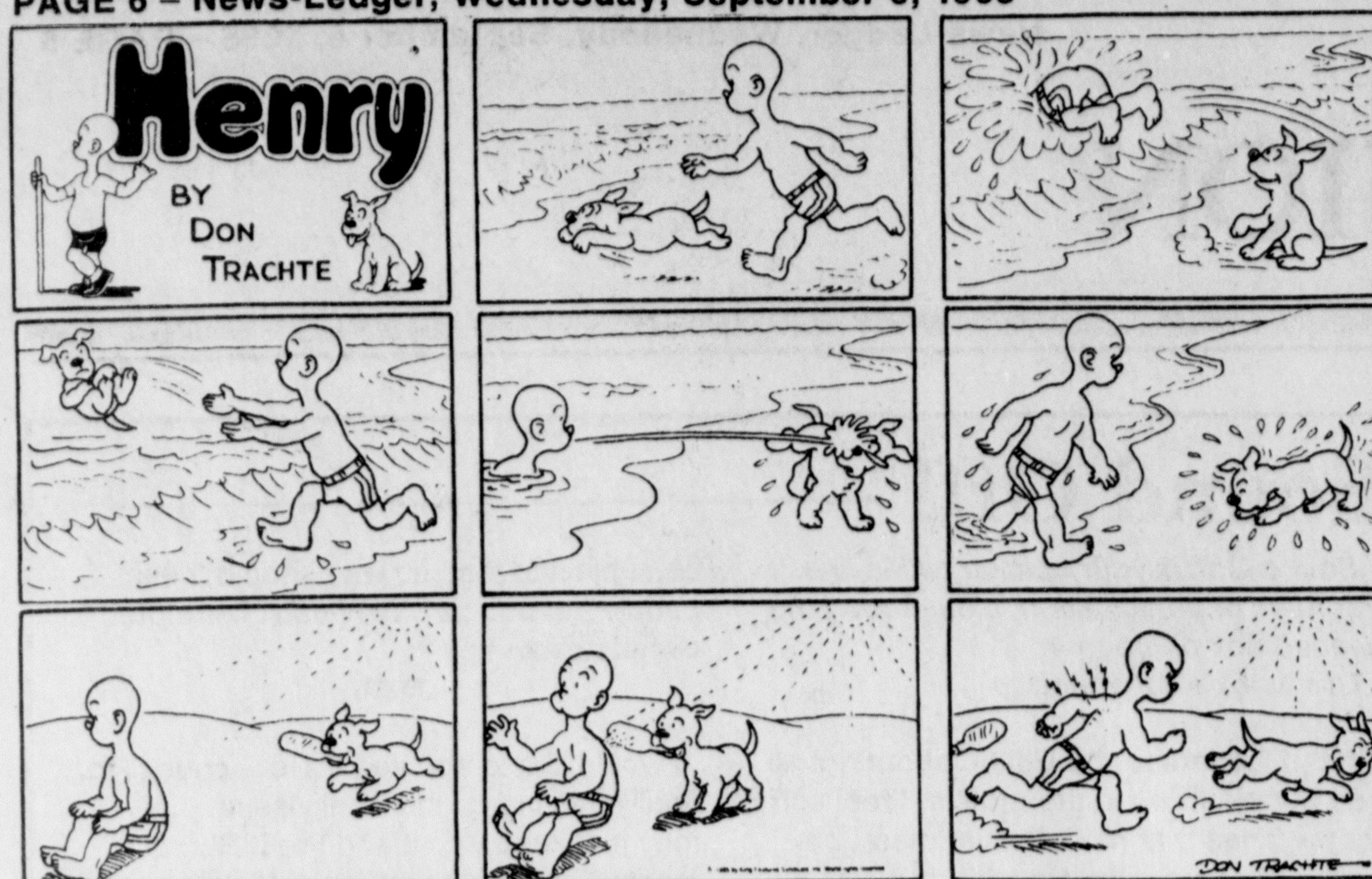
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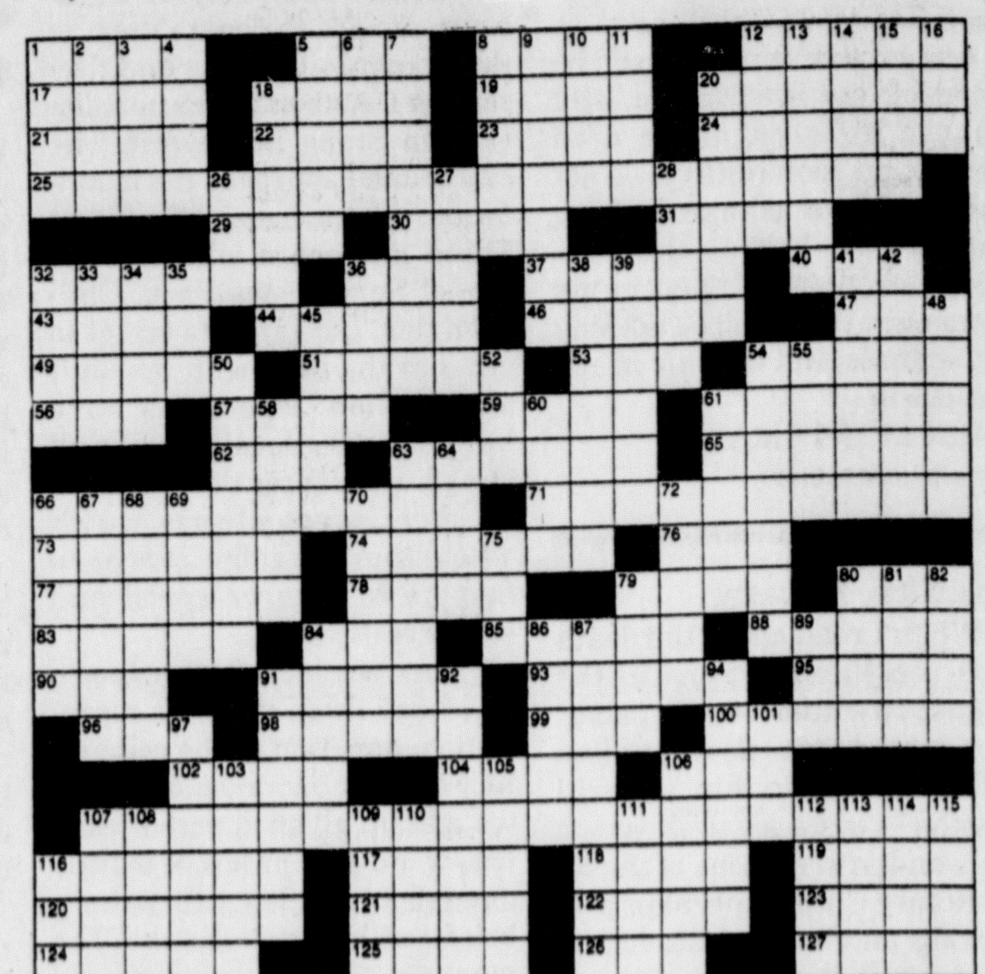
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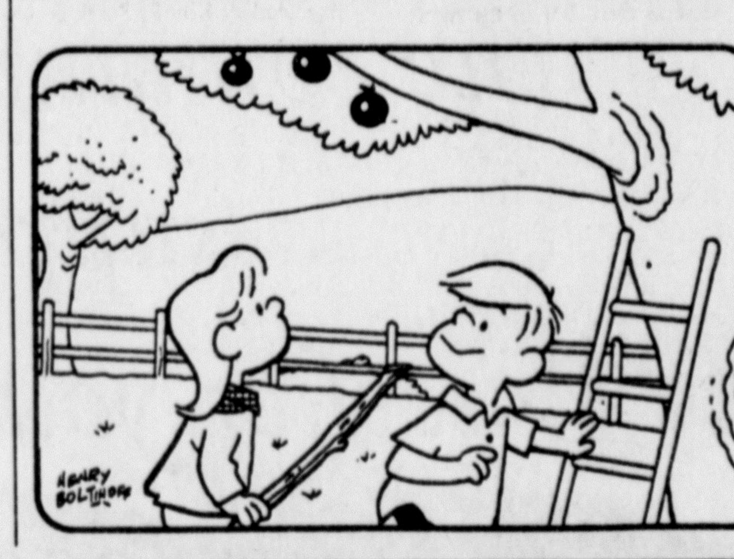
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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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By L. Perry Marker

DIRECTIONS:

Fill each square with a number, one through nine.
- Horizontal squares should add to totals on right.
- Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom.
- Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

Today's Challenge

Time 4 Minutes
2 Seconds

Your Working

Time ____ Minutes
____ Seconds

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OUT ON A LIMB by GARY KOPERVAS



THE SPATS by JEFF PICKERING



Public Notices

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 28, 1995
File No. 95-577

The following persons are doing business as Richard E. & Connie S. Jones DBA PIP Printing #994, 1583 #C Enterprise Blvd., W. Sac., CA 95691:

Richard E. & Connie S. Jones, 317 Bridge Pl., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 11, 1995.

/s/Richard E. Jones

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 28, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 28, 1995
File No. 95-578

The following persons are doing business as Yolo Jones Leasing & Investments, 1583 #C Enterprise Blvd., W. Sac., CA 95691:

Richard E. & Connie S. Jones, 317 Bridge Place, W. Sac., CA 95691.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 11, 1995.

/s/Richard E. Jones

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 28, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF HEARING
SEPTEMBER 21, 1995

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider the following matters on Thursday, September 21, in the City Council Chambers located at 2101 Stone Boulevard, West Sacramento, California, at the times as specified or as soon thereafter as the matters may be heard:

6:00 p.m.
Item #1
Zoning Administrator Actions

1. ZA-12-95 - St. Anton's Partners. Approval of a Lot Line Merger to combine the existing lots in the full block bounded by 7th, 8th, E and F Streets with the abandoned portion of 8th Street lying between E and F Streets. (MW)

Item #2
Port of Sacramento Development Agreement

Consideration of an Agreement between the Port of Sacramento and the City implementing the Seaway International Trade Center project. (APN: 45-020-02 & 03; 45-030-01, 02 & 04; 45-190-01 & 02; a portion of 45-010-17, 45-010-17, 45-100-02, 07 & 09, 67-110-04 and 67-180-09). The property is zoned M-3 PD; M-1 PD; BP PD; POS; and RP. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was circulated for this project. APPLICANT/OWNER: Port of Sacramento, Sacramento-Yolo Port District, P.O. Box 980070, West Sacramento, Califomia, 95691. (MW)

Item #3
Port of Sacramento PD-37 Text Public Hearing

This application seeks to amend specific development standards that were adopted by the Planning Commission on August 3, 1995 for the Seaway International Trade Center. This project is bounded on the north by the Deep Water Ship Channel, on the east by the Arlington Oaks subdivision, on the south by the Main Drain Canal, and on the west by the Southport Industrial Park. (APN: 45-020-02 & 03; 45-030-01, 02 & 04; 45-190-01 & 02; a portion of 45-010-17, 45-010-17, 45-100-02, 07 & 09, 67-110-04 and 67-180-09). The property is zoned M-3 PD; M-1 PD; BP PD; POS; and RP. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was circulated for this project. APPLICANT/OWNER: Port of Sacramento, Sacramento-Yolo Port District, P.O. Box 980070, West Sacramento, California, 95691. (SR)

Item #4
Public Hearing on Various Amendments to the City of West Sacramento Zoning Ordinance

The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on various amendments to the City of West Sacramento Zoning Ordinance. These amendments include changes to screening requirements for heavy equipment sales and rental yards, residential fences, window signs, implementation of the Southport Framework Plan, definitions, zoning matrix and other miscellaneous changes. (SR)

Item #5
St. Anton Partners Density Bonus for the Washington Commons Affordable Housing Project

Approval of a density bonus for a 90 unit affordable replacement housing project. The location is bounded by 7th, 8th, E and F Streets (APN 10-451-09). The property is zoned B-3. APPLICANT: St. Anton's Partners LLC, 455 University Avenue, #100, Sacramento, California 95825. OWNER: Lighthouse Marina and Riverbend Development, a California General Partnership, 495 Douglas Street, West Sacramento, California 95605. (SR)

Copies of the applications, legal descriptions, and environmental documents are on file in the office of the City of West Sacramento Community Development Department, 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, California 95691.

All affected parties should appear and explain to the Commission the effect that the proposed projects will have on their property and to state any other relevant information. If you challenge any of the noticed items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

s/Stephen M. Patek, Director
Community Development Department

NL Sept. 6

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
APN: 058-102-021
Loan No: 450238-1
Ref: Scott, Kim
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T.S. No. 504991
#37694

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED DECEMBER 21, 1990. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On October 3, 1995 at 9:00 a.m., CAL-WESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORP., a California corporation,
as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded January 7, 1991, as inst. No. 000339, in book 2191, page 624, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of CALIFORNIA, executed by Kim R. Scott, an unmarried woman,
WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN THIS STATE WILL BE HELD ON THE STEPS OF THE COURT STREET ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 725 COURT STREET, WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: COMPLETELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST.

The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1804 VIRGINIA AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691.

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein.

Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust to wit: $91,441.39 with interest thereon from 12/01/94 @ 10.500% per annum as provided in said note(s) plus cost and any advances with interest.

ESTIMATED TOTAL DEBT $101,539.44.

The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

FOR SALES INFORMATION: Mon-Fri: 8:00am to 5:00pm (619) 590-9200
CAL-WESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORP.
525 East Main Street
P.O. Box 22004
El Cajon, CA 92022-9004
(619) 590-9200
Dated: August 30, 1995
By: /s/Yvonne J. Wheeler
Trustee Sale Officer, ext. 3005
37694 Sept. 6 13 20

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 22, 1995
File No. 95-624

The following person is doing business as Tomato Enterprises, 2411 Bombadil Lane, Davis, CA 95616:

Dorothy Kupcha Leland, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 1995.

/s/Dorothy K. Leland

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 22, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 15, 1995
File No. 95-612

The following person is doing business as Dent Be Gone, 4108 Cowell Blvd., Davis, CA 95616:

Wade Ballard, same address.

This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 15, 1995.

/s/Wade Ballard

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 15, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 23, 1995
File No. 95-627

The following person is doing business as Professional Services Unlimited, 2214 Arden Way, Ste. 162, Sacramento, CA 95825:

Jody M. Petersen, 12 Briar Creek Court, Sacramento, CA 95838.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 1995.

/s/Jody M. Petersen

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 23, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

Sept. 6 13 20 27

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 18, 1995
File No. 95-535

The following persons are doing business as Economy Food Store, 7 West Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695:

Shahid Mahmood, Khalid Mahmood, Mohammad A. Shahid and Shahida Shafqat, 721 Hardy Dr., W. Sac., CA 95605.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 31 , 1995.

/s/Shahid Mahmood et al

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 18, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 23, 1995
File No. 95-629

The following person is doing business as Marquee Homes, Inc., 133 D Street, Suite A, Davis, CA 95616:

Michael A. Guynn, 2514 Albany Ave., Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 1995.

/s/Michael Guynn, Vice President
Marquee Homes, Inc.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 23, 1995
by: /s/Karen S. Smith, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE CALLING FOR NOMINATION PETITIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE OF RECLAMATION DISTRICT #900

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Water Code Section 50731.5, nominating petitions for the office of trustee of Reclamation District No. 900 must be presented to the district secretary at 1420 Merkley Ave., Unit #4, from August 24, 1995, until 5:00 p.m. on September 14, 1995. The terms of two trustees of the district expire this year and these positions will be filled from the persons nominated.

DATED: August 24, 1995
Kenneth A. Ruzich
Secretary, Reclamation District #900

Sept 6

The City of West Sacramento, Department of Public Works is preparing a request for proposals (RFP) for services from interested laboratories. Several divisions within the Public Works Department have the need for continuing laboratory services. If your company is interested in participating in the RFP process, please send a letter of interest to Greg Fabun, Industrial Pretreatment Program Manager, 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95826. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call (916) 373-5826.

Sept. 6 & 13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. # 0468DB Dated: August 22, 1995 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED April 2, 1993. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On September 26, 1995 at 4:00 P.M. **Andreas Service Corporation**, as Trustee, Successor Trustee or Substituted Trustee, of that certain Deed of Trust executed by Richardo H. Delatorre and Maria Delatorre, husband and wife as joint tenants and recorded May 4, 1993 as Instrument No. 13954, in Book –, page –, Official Records of Yolo County, California, and pursuant to that certain Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded October 7, 1994 as Instrument No. 031408, in Book –, page –, Official Records of said County, will under and pursuant to said Deed of Trust sell at public auction for cash, lawful money of the United States of America, a cashier's check payable to said Trustee drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, the main entrance to City Hall 2101 Stone Boulevard, West Sacramento, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Lot 19, Elkhorn Village No. 3, filed November 4, 1954, in Book 5 of maps, page 6, Yolo County records. APN# 837 Hardy Drive, West Sacramento, Ca The undersigned disclaims any liability for the accuracy of the street address or other common designation of the above described real property which is purported to be: 837 Hardy Drive, West Sacramento, Ca. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as in said note(s) provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and of the trust created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold is $22,976.56 and reasonably estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale are $4,361.28. Beneficiary reserves the right to make it's initial bid in a sum less than the total amount secured by said Deed of Trust. The Beneficiary under said Deed of Trust, by reason of a breach or default in the obligation secured thereby, heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and written Notice of Breach and Default and of Election to cause the undersigned to sell said property to satisfy said obligations and thereafter the undersigned caused said Notices of Breach and Default and Election to Cause Sale of Real Property under Deed of Trust to be recorded as hereinbefore set forth. **Andreas Service Corporation**, as Said Trustee, By Christopher A. Crawford, President, 1770 No. Arrowhead Ave., San Bernardino, CA 92405, Phone: (909) 475-5745 ASAP174835 9/6, 9/13, 9/20

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST FILE: 113429 A.P. NUMBER: 45-381-08 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED August 12, 1991. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that **SERRANO RECONVEYANCE COMPANY**, as trustee, or successor trustee, or substituted trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by CHARLES RISLEY, AN UNMARRIED MAN **Recorded on 08/16/1991 as Instrument No. 020645 in Book 2254 Page 514** of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of **Yolo County**, California, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder **recorded 05/17/1995 as Instrument No. 95-0010622** of said Official Records, will sell on **09/27/1995 ON THE MAIN STEPS TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 725 COURT STREET WOODLAND, CA** at **11:00 AM** at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), all right, title, and interest, conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State hereinafter described: As more fully described on said Deed of Trust. The property address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **2736 SUMMERFIELD DRIVE WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: **$59,823.63** Estimated. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale.

The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation.

PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION, as Trustee, 5 HUTTON CENTRE DRIVE, SUITE 1050, SANTA ANA, CA 92707, Telephone Number: (714) 432-9000, By: JULIE MCCOMBS, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER, Date: 08/25/95
NPP0006892
PUB: 09/06/95, 09/13/95, 09/20/95

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE LOAN NO. 792129 T. S. No. 94-47200CA FHA/VA No. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED APRIL 25, 1991. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On SEPTEMBER 20, 1995, at 11:00 A.M., SPECIALIZED, INC. as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 5-1-91, as inst. No. 010350, IN BOOK 2221, PAGE 523, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA, executed by ROLAND J. LEGARDA AND AIDA S. LEGARDA, HUSBAND AND WIFE as TRUSTOR, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) at ON THE MAIN STEPS OF THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE 725 COURT STREET WOODLAND, CA all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: A.P.N. 67-230-22 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2125 OAKMONT WAY, WEST SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, 95691 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s), secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is $142,673.79. The Beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation.

PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION, as Trustee, 2033 N. MAIN STREET, SUITE 550, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94596, Telephone Number: (510) 933-4660, By: AUDREY WELCH, Date: 08/31/95
NPP0007158
PUB: 09/06/95, 09/13/95, 09/20/95

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Trustee Sale No. 95-10743
Title Order No. 5232667
Reference No. 070321907
APN No. 014-287-111

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/28/88. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On September 27, 1995, at 03:30 PM, PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, recorded on 10/04/88 as Document No. 021041 Book 1972 Page 744 of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California, executed by: LEONARD RAY STOCKTON AND RITA LOUISE STOCKTON, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Trustor, SIERRA PACIFIC MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as Beneficiary,

WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL, 2101 STONE BLVD, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: Lot 79, Elkhorn Village No. 6, According to the Official Plat Thereof, Filed for Record in the Office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, on September 24, 1956, in Book 5 of Maps, at Page 36.

The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 929 JOAN STREET, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691.

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: $68,849.43 Estimated. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale.

The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation.

NOTICE
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/21/93. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
UNDER DEED OF TRUST
Loan No. 1199083/TOLE
T.S. No. NRW040172
A.P. No. 14-263-19

Notice is hereby given that Standard Trust Deed Service Company as trustee, or successor trustee, or substituted trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by DAVID B. TOLE, AN UNMARRIED MAN. Recorded on APRIL 30, 1993 as Instrument # 013425 in book 2483 on page 438 AND RE-RECORDED ON FEBRUARY 7, 1995 AS INSTRUMENT #2675 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, California, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder Recorded on MAY 4, 1995 as Instrument # 95-0009579-00 of said Official Records, will **Sell** on 09/12/95 at 9:00 A.M. AT ON THE STEPS OF THE COURT STREET ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 725 COURT ST., WOODLAND, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), all right, title, and interest, conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State and described as follows:
LOT 47, ELKHORN VILLAGE NO. 4, FILED NOVEMBER 18, 1954, IN BOOK 5 OF MAPS, PAGE 7, YOLO COUNTY RECORDS.
The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 740 BEARDSLEY DRIVE WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605
The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein.
The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is $93,054.75
In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right.
Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed, advances, thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid principal of the note secured by said deed with interest thereon as provided in said Note, fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust.
STANDARD TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, 2600 STANWELL DRIVE, SUITE 200, CONCORD, CA 94520, (510) 603-7340. By: DIANE LOTSPEICH ASSISTANT SECRETARY
Dated: 08/07/95
RSVP 9803
823, 830, 96

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Trustee Sale No. 95-51286
Title Order No. 5232482
Reference No. 8969185
APN No. 045422121

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 05/11/90. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On September 13, 1995, at 03:30 PM, PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, recorded on 05/25/90 as Document No. 12577 Book 2125 Page 276 of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California, executed by: EFROSINE A. TASAKOS, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Trustor, BANKERS MORTGAGE FINANCIAL CORP., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as Beneficiary.

WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL AT 2101 STONE, BLVD., WEST SACRAMENTO, CA., all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: Lot 193, Westwoods Unit No. 2-B, Filed August 3, 1979, in Book 131 of Maps, Map Nos. 47, 48 and 49, Yolo County Records, and as Amended by That Certain Certificate of Correction, Recorded October 29, 1979, in Book 1393, Page 487 of Official Records. Excepting Therefrom One Hundred Percent (100%) of All Oil, Mineral, Geothermal and Similar Rights below a Depth of 500 Feet (500FT) of Existing Surface Elevation, but Shall Have No Right of Surface Entry Subject to All Matters of Record and All Which Would Be Disclosed by a Survey or Inspection of the Real Property Hereby Conveyed, as Reserved in a Deed from West Sacramento Port Center, Inc., Recorded May 26, 1978, in Book 1308, Page 597, Official Records.

The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2932 CLAUDIA COURT, W SACRAMENTO, CA 95691.

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: $123,890.79 Estimated. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale.

The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation.

PROFESSIONAL FORECLOSURE CORPORATION, as Trustee, 5 HUTTON CENTRE DRIVE, SUITE 1050, SANTA ANA, CA 92707, Telephone Number: (714) 432-9000, By: JULIE MCCOMBS, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER, Date: 08/17/95
NPP0006712
PUB: 08/23/95, 08/30/95, 09/06/95



When New Year's Day was changed to January 1, some people still celebrated it on April 1. These people came to be known as "April Fools."

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Public Notices

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 14, 1995
File No. 95-610

The following person is doing business as Take It Deep Tour, P.O. Box 227, Clarksburg, CA 95612:

Robert J. Slater, 51451 Central Ave., Clarksburg, CA 95612.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 14, 1995.

/s/Robert J. Slater

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 14, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 7, 1995
File No. 95-599

The following person is doing business as Aztec Air, 2060 Freeway Dr., Unit E, Woodland, CA 95776:

J. Merced Fonseca, 1500 Quail Ridge E. Ln. Ap. # 60, Rosevilla, CA 95678.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 1, 1995.

/s/Merced Fonseca

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Date: Aug. 7, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 26, 1995
File No. 95-558

The following persons are doing business as United Courier & Delivery, 231 G Street #28, Davis, CA 95616:

Stephen D. Gary and Lauren M. Gary, 107 Jalisco Place, Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 15, 1995.

/s/Stephen D. Gary
/s/Lauren M. Gary

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Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 26, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Dep. Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 17, 1995
File No. 95-614

The following person is doing business as Chico's Tacos, 425 Second Street, Davis, California 95616:

DeMonica Enterprise, LLC, formed in California, 3013 Prado Lane, Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 1995.

/s/Damon Block

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Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 17, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 28, 1995
File No. 95-576

The following person is doing business as Kool Kuts, 221 Court St., Woodland, CA 95695:

Laurie A. Buhagiar, 4950 Villa Royale Wy., Sacramento, CA 95823.

This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 1995.

/s/Laurie Buhagiar

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 28, 1995
by: /s/Vikki Wittig, Deputy Clerk

Aug. 30 Sept. 6 13 20

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 4, 1995
File No. 95-594

The following person is doing business as Alpini Enterprises, 2709 Lillard Dr., Davis, CA 95616:

Roberto Cardarelli, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 14, 1995.

/s/Roberto Cardarelli

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 4, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, California until **2:00 P.M.** local time on **October 10, 1995**, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the:

Structure Demolition; 320 and 324 West Capitol Avenue 724 Third Street

The proposed work consists of three schedules as follows:

Structure A - Demolition and removal of structures and site improvements, underground water well and clean-up of site located at 320 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California. The site is the location of a church and facilities. Water well must be demolished under permit from Yolo County Environmental Health Department.

Structure B - Demolition and removal of structure and site improvements and clean-up of site located at 324 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California. The site is the location of a clinic and facilities.

Structure C - Demolition and removal of a structure and site improvements and clean-up of site located at 724 Third Street, West Sacramento, California. The site is the location of a market and facilities formerly operated as the Broderick Market.

Bidders shall bid on all three structures. The basis of comparison of bids shall be by evaluation of the total combined bids of all three structures.

Description of Work: The work consists of the demolition, and removal from site, the existing structure, foundations, concrete patio, flatwork, underground sump, catch basin, planters, tables, benches, asphalt concrete pavement, parking area lights, underground water well and miscellaneous site improvements. Work also included will be the removal of asbestos containing materials in accordance with the Wallace-Kuhl and Associates Report dated April 24 and July 10, 1995, by a licensed asbestos abatement contractor. Water well must be demolished under permit from Yolo County Environmental Health Department.

Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within **forty-five calendar** days upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed for the combined Schedules A, B and C.

Obtaining Contract Documents: Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, California. A copy of bid documents may be obtained at the office upon request and payment of $15.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of $20.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable.

Submission of Proposals: All proposals must be submitted not later than the time prescribed. The proposal shall be made on the bidding schedule bound herein and the pages shall not be removed from the bound volume. The complete volume shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the City of West Sacramento at the address above, and designated as a bid bearing the name of the bidder and name of project. The bidder is wholly responsible to see that his bid is submitted at the time and place designated for the opening of bids. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be made on the official proposal forms furnished with the contract documents.

Attention is directed to the provisions of the Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15 which makes it a misdemeanor for any person without a valid contractor's license (with specific exceptions) to submit a bid to act as a Contractor to a public agency.

Proposal Guarantee: Each proposal must be accompanied by cash, a cashier's check, certified check or bid bond, executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the total bid price payable to the City of West Sacramento.

Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Government Code Section 4590, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.

Construction License: The successful bidder must possess a current Class C-21 Building Moving/Demolition Contractor's License issued by the State of California.

Wage Rates: Bidders are hereby notified that the California Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work.

It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any subcontractor under him to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the contract.

Award: The award shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of Contract will be made by the Director of Community Development and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after he has received the Contract from the City.

The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.

Liquidated Damages: The liquidated damage to be paid by the Contractor to the City for each calendar day's delay in completion of the work beyond the Contract time shall be in the amount of $200.00 per day.

By submission of a bid by the Contractor to the City to perform the work, the Contractor declares that he has considered the amount of said liquidated damages and that he has determined that the amount of such liquidated damages is fair and reasonable.

Rejection of Bids: The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Any bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the contract documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.

Disqualification of Bidder: If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.

Relief of Bidder: Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code Section 5101 and following, concerning relief of bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the bidder claims a mistake was made in his bid, the bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred.

Bonds: The successful bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the contract price.

Job Site Inspection: A job site inspection will be conducted to acquaint the Contractors with the site and location of the proposed work. The tour will be held on September 28, 1995. All interested Contractors shall meet at the Broderick Market Demolition site, 724 Third Street, West Sacramento, California at 9:00 a.m. on the date of the tour.

Date: Aug. 22, 1995
By: /s/Stephen M. Patek
Director of Community Development

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 5, 1995
File No. 95-480

The following person is doing business as Neff Electric, 1732 Casa Nueva St., Woodland, CA 95695:

Daniel Neff, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April, 1989.

/s/Daniel Neff

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 5, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 8, 1995
File No. 95-605

The following persons are doing business as Rollin Oaks Ranch, 1549 Grass Valley Dr., Woodland, CA 95776:

Thomas N. Decker and Lorraine E. Castillo, same address as above.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 1995.

/s/Thomas N. Decker
/s/Lorraine E. Castillo

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County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 8, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

Aug. 23 30 Sept. 6 13

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 4, 1995
File No. 95-592

The following person is doing business as The Wellness Consultants of Davis, 1970 Lake Blvd., Suite 6, Davis, CA 95616:

James Edward Lee, 1175 Lake Blvd. #311, Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 1, 1995.

/s/James E. Lee, M.D.

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 4, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 13, 1995
File No. 95-527

The following persons are doing business as Hot Shots Espresso, County Fair Mall, 1264 E. Gibson Rd., Woodland, CA 95695:

Katherine Evelyn Brown & Douglas E. Brown, 1515 Norden Way, Woodland, CA 95695.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 15.

/s/Katherine E. Brown
/s/Douglas E. Brown

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 8, 1995
by: /s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

Aug. 16 23 30 Sept. 6

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 28, 1995
File No. 95-577

The following persons are doing business as Richard E. & Connie S. Jones DBA PIP Printing #994, 1583 #C Enterprise Blvd., W. Sac., CA 95691:

Richard E. & Connie S. Jones, 317 Bridge Pl., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 11, 1995.

/s/Richard E. Jones

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County of Yolo
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Date: July 28, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 28, 1995
File No. 95-575

The following persons are doing business as The Seabright Group, 3333 Seabright Ave., Davis, CA 95616:

Susan R. Steinbach, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 1995.

/s/Susan Steinbach

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Date: July 28, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 1, 1995
File No. 95-584

The following persons are doing business as Harbor Vision/Harbor Medical Supply, 809 Harbor Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691:

Alex Shturman, 785 27th Ave. #3, San Francisco, CA 94121.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sept. 1, 1995.

/s/Alex Shturman

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Date: Aug. 1, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Dep. Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 4, 1995
File No. 95-595

The following person is doing business as The Gypsy Crow Cafe, 260 Russell Blvd., #D-11:

Carolyn J. Short, 1075 Olive Drive #53, Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 1989.

/s/Carolyn J. Short

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Aug. 4, 1995
by: /s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed July 28, 1995
File No. 95-578

The following persons are doing business as Yolo Jones Leasing & Investments, 1583 #C Enterprise Blvd., W. Sac., CA 95691:

Richard E. & Connie S. Jones, 317 Bridge Place, W. Sac., CA 95691.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 11, 1995.

/s/Richard E. Jones

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Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: July 28, 1995
by: /s/Ana Morales, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug. 3, 1995
File No. 95-588

The following persons are doing business as Capital A Capital L Screenprinting, 717 Alvarado Blvd. #207, Davis, CA 95616:

Al Ramirez, P.O. Box 74175, Davis, CA 95617.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 12, 1995.

/s/Al Ramirez

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Date: Aug. 3, 1995
by: /s/C. Martinelli, Deputy Clerk

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REAL ESTATE

Default and foreclosure listings for Yolo County, including Davis, Woodland, West Sacto. Weekly report. For info, fax inquiry to 371-8055 or drop a line to Steve Marschke & Associates, P.O. Box 2172, West Sacramento, CA 95691. tfn

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COMMERCIAL OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE. South Jefferson Blvd. location with great visibility, access and off street parking. Call for specific terms and conditions: 916/371-5780. GG-5

GARAGE & YARD SALES

BLOCK SALE: Sept. 1, 2 & 3 (Friday, Sat. & Sun.). Smilax Ave. R-2

Clerks - Temp for City of West Sacramento Police Dept. $9.02/hr. Performs a variety of clerical tasks including public counter and phone reception and computer work. Work hours vary and may include weekends, holidays, and swing shifts. Must type 35 wpm and positively pass background investigation. For job flyer & application, send SASE to Human Resources, PO Box 966, W. Sacto., CA 95691. Continuous recruitment. AA/EOE. WS-3

Clerk wanted part time, Shirley's Deli-Mart, 3360 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sac. (in Southport 1 1/2 miles past Pheasant Club). 371-7715. 49tfn

Bookkeeper/Sec-Construction co., part time, 4hr, 5da wek. Exp in P/R, A/P, computer & phones a must. Resume to Box 800, West Sac., CA 95691 S-41tfn

Housekeeper/Cook/plus landscape handyperson team. Sal. plus pvt n/smoke apt on River. Resume to Box 800, West Sac, CA 95691 S-41tfn

Multi-family, children's items, dbl. stroller, bulbs, walker, file cabinet, Fri.-Sat. Sept. 8-9, 1035 Park Blvd. 9 a.m. N-3

Garage sale, Sept. 8 & 9, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Glassware, refrig., twin beds, children's clothes, lots more. 1620 Michigan Blvd. A-3

MISC. FOR SALE

Antiques (2), pickle casters - silver holders, cranberry and amber inserts - 2 brass & jeweled fairy lamps. 371-5022. f-4

MISC. WANTED

WANTED to borrow or copy TV video tapes of Carol Burnett's series "FRESNO." Please call 371-2876. MPG-43tfn

WANTED: Two piece Silex coffee maker to fit Cory Rod; prefer at least 8-cup size. Please call 371-2876. MPG-43tfn

WANTED: your old road maps. 1960 or before. 373-1313. C-5

HELP WANTED

Applications are being accepted at 15th Street Market for a retail clerk. Position is for a five-day work week, from approx. 3 pm to 9 pm daily. Apply in person, and ask for Luanne Meier. No telephone calls, please. 15-5

Wanted: Middle-aged to elderly person or couple to give home to a sweet, mellow, 23-pound, 7-year old husky mix. She's quiet and a wonderful companion. Call Chris, 383-7012 (day) or 487-1932 (eve). PS-tfn

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—Aristotle

Wanted: someone to transfer six foot, 135 pound disabled man & accompany to doctor's appointments. 371-8590. A-55

Restaurant: servers & cooks. Experience required. Swing & late night shifts. Apply in person at Denny's, 4025 Lake Road, West Sacramento, 371-8724. tfn nc

PETS

REWARD: Lost cockatiel, yellow w/orange around eyes. 375-1252 or 371-9356. Des51

Lost cat: "Sebastian," silver Persian, sides shaved, neutered male. 7/30 in West Sacto. 372-4765. 54

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THE YOLO INDEPENDENT FRIDAY, SEPT. 7, 1917.

Local Items

DO IT NOW!

"If you have a bit of news,
Send it in.
Or a joke that will amuse,
Send it in.
A story that is true,
An incident that's new,
We want to hear from you!
Send it in.

Will your story make us laugh?
Send it in.
Send along a photograph,
Send it in.
Never mind about your style,
If it's only worth the while,
And will make the reader smile,
Send it in."

The Sacramento River registered 3 feet 5 inches U. S. gauge at the S. P. bridge yesterday.

The dredger Thor has completed the work of digging a channel in the bed of the Sacramento River from the S. P. bridge north to the mouth of the American River. Looking north from the S. P. bridge there are now two channels with a bar of sand in the middle of the stream. This looks strange to visitors and, indeed, is the result of the curious work of the dredger. Little boys swim from the Yolo bank and in fun roll down the side of the sand bank into the stream. River traffic, however, is open and steamers continue to bring down for the up-river section great loads of produce.

A run of salmon in the Sacramento River has been fairly heavy during the past week and some local fishermen are landing good hauls. Yesterday two boats brought in about 2,000 pounds for which very good prices are being secured. The salmon season will colse, however, on September 20th.

Householders are cautioned to be careful during the State Fair and Native Sons' celebration in Sacramento. Many criminals are expected by the Sacramento police and many bums are now being driven to this side of the bridge. Constable Russell and his deputies are doing their share in keeping the gangs moving westward or returning them across the bridge.

"Home comfort" is a prize which everybody wants. Try Locke & Son, 318 J street, Sacramento.—adv.

Nothing has yet been done to the levee south of the shipyard and north of the M-street bridge. It is as bleak and barren as the Sahara and is as inaccessible as Mount Shasta. It remains a detriment to the property owners of Washington and is a sliding monument of carelessness and neglect. It is impossible to man or beast as a footing and although more or less useful is far from ornamental. The time will come when this valuable property will be used to help along the industries of Washington.

Frank Tobey, an employe of the Leeman ranch, suffered a fractured leg last Tuesday just as he was about to drive to Sacramento. The team he was about to drive became frightened and ran, dragging the wagon against a building. Tobey was thrown heavily. He is being cared for at the Woodland hospital.

J. S. Lear is at home from Cisco, where he spent the last three months in the employ of the S. P. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McNevin with Mr. and Mrs. E. Peek spent last Saturday, Sunday and Monday at Neptune Beach, Alameda, where they thoroughly enjoyed the surf bathing.

F. De Riso and family spent a few days of the past week at Neptune Beach. Frank came home Monday because his modesty was greatly shocked by the bathing costumes worn by the ladies at that resort.

Mrs. E. W. Smith went to San Francisco last Sunday to visit friends for a week or two.

Mrs. Wm. Woods is in Los Angeles visiting her son to remain a month or more.

A wide variety of carpet patterns for your selection at Locke's, 318 J street, Sacramento.—adv.

Mrs. N. Ellis is at the home of her daughter in Colusa where she went last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Johns are spending a few days in San Jose the guests of Mrs. Johns' sister, Mrs. G. R. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Valentine are spending a few days in San Francisco.

Mrs. C. Korrell and daughter are at Dillon's Beach for a short vacation.

TRIAL OF KATE FROST SET FOR SEPTEMBER 25

Following an arraignment in the Superior Court in Woodland last Tuesday, Kate Frost, negro woman of the river district south of Washington, was ordered to stand trial on September 25 for the alleged murder of a paramour, Ed Kelleher.

The woman was arrested July 3, following the finding of Kelleher's body. She is said to be the only woman in the State holding a union fisherman's license.

The murder was committed near the McGregor ranch, in a houseboat standing on the Yolo side of the river. A butcher knife was the weapon. Both Kelleher and the Frost woman were intoxicated. The killing was witnessed by Ed Pernit, who stayed with the woman during Kelleher's absence in Sacramento.

The negress will be defended by Attorney Archibald Yell of Sacramnto. She held a talk with him at the jail here today.

The coming trial will be the first murder trial of a woman in this county.

Edwin Phillips is at home from Oakland for a couple of weeks.

District Attorney C. C. McDonald and Probation Officer Powers were in Washington Tuesday looking after the rape case against Joe Pina.

On being informed that a warrant for his arrest had been sworn out by B. Hale of Riverbank, Allen Merkley gave himself up last Tuesday and deposited bail for release. He was ready to proceed with the case, but Hale had no witnesses ready to testify. A date for the trial will be set very soon.

The Red Cross will hold a very important meeting this evening, September 7th, at 8 o'clock in the Town Hall. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody interested.

Mrs. N. W. Stevens has returned from a brief visit to Woodland. She went to attend a meeting of the National Council of Defense.

Mrs. William Wilson returned Sunday evening from an extended trip to San Francisco.

C. Harms is at home from Brockway, Lake Tahoe, where he spent the past three months.

George Patterson will leave for the southern part of the State during the coming week.

Your home should be pleasant for all the members of your family. See Croke, 1018-20 K Street.

"Little Tim," a partner of T. Meraglia, nearly made a fatal mistake last Saturday when hauling hay into the Buckingham barn. He first knocked down two posts and then butted into a corner of a house, upsetting his load and being buried underneath it. Fortunately neighbors witnessed the accident and dragged him out by the toes. Tim likes his wine and uses only about three gallons a day, but is never away from his work.

Howard Lee has recovered from scarlet fever and the Lee home has been relieved of the quarantine, much to his father's delight.

Mrs. Mary Parkinson and granddaughter Marjorie went to Verona last Saturday to visit her old friend, Mr. Rhoades.

The kitchen floor looks ever so much better with a nice pattern of linoleum. It helps the housekeeper, too. See Croke, 1018-20 K, Sacramento.

The great barge being built by S. P. Pankost will be completed in about three weeks. It measures 30x110 feet and will cost about $4000.

Blood flowed freely last Tuesday evening on the S. P. bridge when J. Butschli attacked G. Kamm. Butschli claims that Kamm had been slandering him, while Kamm claims it was a case of jealousy. Kamm got the worst of the argument, having suffered a deep gash over his right eye and having his nose badly bent. He walked to the receiving hospital in Sacramento and had his wounds dressed. Butschli had no marks.

Yolo Independent is the home paper for 4,000 people.

DISTIRCT 1600 WILL NOT CHANGE BACK LEVEE

Following an order by the State Reclamation Board to the Trustees of District 1600 to change its back levee announcement has been made that it will only be through an order of court that the levee will be moved.

This reclamation district is located in Yolo County in the vicinity of Gray's Bend, north of Elkhorn, and contains about 6,000 acres of fertile lands. The property in the district is owned very largely by Sacramento men, among whom are Dr. T. J. Cox, Lou Keller, Louis Caffaro, A. A. Mull, A. A. Merkley, C. J. Chittenden, T. O'Connor and others. The State Reclamation Board contends that the district did not construct its back levee on a survey made by the board and that by so doing, it enclosed about 60 acres of land in the district that should be in the by-pass. The Reclamation Board has issued an ultimatum to the Trustees of the district that they must either move their back levee, so as to conform to the board's lines, or purchase 160 acres in Sutter County opposite District 1600, so that the by-pass may be widened.

The Trustees of the district, however, will very likely not compiy with either of these demands. They will probably let the Reclamation Board begin an action in the Superior Court of Yolo County and then put up a bitter fight against any change in the lines of the district. They have engaged the services of Attorney Arthur Huston of Woodland, who is one of the best lawyers in this part of California on reclamation matters.

It appears that there is a pretty legal question involved in the settlement of this controversy, and to a lay mind it looks as though the district has the better of the situation. The district was created by an act of the Legislature, as are all reclamation districts. The laws of the State governing such matters were observed strictly. The survey of the district was approved by the Legislature, and the levees were constructed seventy-five feet within those lines. The Reclamation Board was also created by an act of the State Legislature. It has extensive powers in reclamation matters, but whether or not it can change the lines of a reclamation district, created by an act of the Legislature, is a matter that the courts will have to decide.

PINA HELD TO ANSWER FOR FELONIOUS ASSAULT

Charged with a statutory offense or rape by Louisa Andrade, a 13-year-old girl, Joseph Pina was held to answer before the Superior Court last Tuesday by Judge Barry and his bail placed at $1,000.

According to the girl's testimony the crime was committed on September 1st in a house on Margaret street between Second and Third, where she was employed taking care of a baby.

Two physicians testified that they had examined the girl and found she had been abused.

The charge was sworn to by her mother, Mrs. Deminga Cordoza.

Pina is a married man and the father of two children. He lives on Second street near Rocky Point and is a hard and steadfast worker, giving all his earnings to the support of his family.

The testimony taken at the trial was revolting and unfit for publication.

Pina is in the county jail in Woodland.

Attorney Martin Welsh represented him at the preliminary trial and will continue with the case.

YELL NAMED TRUSTEE TO SUCCEED P. A. KRULL

Archibald Yell, Sacramento attorney, has been named by the County Supervisors as a trustee for Reclamation District No. 150, to succeed the late P. A. Krull of Clarksburg. Krull was a trustee in some other reclamation districts and the Supervisors will fill these other vacancies during their present session.



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IN APPEALS FOR EXEMPTION FOLLOWING DECISIONS HAVE BEEN RENDERED

The District Board has announced the following decisions in claims for exemption from Yolo County men under the draft:

Vernon S. Johnston, Winters, farmer; denied.

Kenneth W. Guthrie, Winters, farmer; denied.

Ralph P. Royer, Davis, University of California instructor in animal husbandry; denied.

Forrest R. Russell, Woodland, dairyman, denied; temporary discharge to October 1st.

Richard S. Burke, Woodland, dependent wife and child; granted.

Herman Barkhardt, Grafton; trigger finger amputated following injury in harvester; appeal denied.

George S. Fredericks, Woodland, horticulture; allowed.

Colby C. Slater, Davis, hog raiser; denied.

William K. Dietz, Woodland, farming; denied.

Fred Weider, Woodland, electrical supply dealer; denied.

James W. Woods, Winters, farm hand; denied.

Thomas F. Favernetti, Davis, assistant to dean at State University Farm School; granted.

Andrew J. Nickerson, Davis, dependent wife; granted.

Ed M. Gaiter, Woodland, dependent wife; granted.

Kenneth L. Lovdal, Woodland, farming; granted.

Archie L. Strader, Broderick, Southern Pacific machinist; granted.

Homer B. Hayden, Yolo, farming; granted.

William N. Best, Grafton, dependent wife; granted.

Byron F. Prather, Woodland, bean raiser; granted.

John A. Mendes, Woodland, dependent wife; granted.

Frank M. Fagundes, Clarksburg, dependent wife and child; granted.

James R. Stoddard, Woodland, stock raiser; allowed.

Hans J. Erikson, Winters, farming; granted.

Winfred H. Mitchell, Winters, farming; granted.

Raymond E. Hughes, Woodland, stockraiser; denied.

Albert M. Richardson, Cadanassa, farming; denied.

Chris Julius Smith, Woodland, orchardist; denied.

A. F. B. Gielings, Davis, sold lease on farm to join Army, man he sold to unable to care for same, and Gielings appointed manager; denied.

Herman P. Smith, Clarksburg, half interest in Holt Caterpillar; denied.

Harmon P. Taber, Capay, farming; denied.

Willie Rose, Clarksburg, farming; denied.

Harry Everett, Guinda, "raising of dried prunes, almonds and cattle"; denied.

Elmer C. Fisher, Winters, farming; denied.

George B. Weiss, Woodland, farming; denied.

Chester C. Agard, Grafton, peanut raiser; denied.

Carl Dam Thomas, Davis, poultry superintendent; denied.

N. C. Smith, Brooks, farming; denied.

George Durst, Dunnigan, farming; denied.

Leslie R. Mason, Madison, farm laborer; denied.

Frederick L. White, Woodland, farming; temporary discharge to October 1st.

George I. Babam, Woodland, farming; granted.

Harry E. Crites, Woodland, farming; granted.

"CZARINA" AND PARTNER IN COUNTY JAIL

Following a terrific fight in their modest home in Riverbank last Friday, Dabra Romanakoff and Mary Laduski were arrested for disturbing the peace and were taken to jail in Woodland.

Both had been working in the hop yards north of town and while celebrating in a quiet way after their hard labor, over indulged in cheap wine sold them by a neighboring Italian and then fought out their differences.

At the request of neighbors they were placed under restraint.

When examined at the jail in Woodland each woman was seen to be wearing a smart abrasion above the left temple. From this the officers inferred that they both landed at once while locked in a clinch. What the weapon was could not be learned, for the home of the pair was a wreck when Russell arrested the women. Russell took them to Woodland in his automobile, accompanied by Probation Officer A. A. Powers.

The women were charged with disturbing the peace and quiet of the town of Riverbank. One of them was attired simply but unconventionally in a nightgown and a cloak. Neither wore a hat.

Last Tuesday they were tried in Judge Ball's court and were sent to jail for 25 days each with instructions to leave the county or pay $25 fine.

They are still in jail.

GOVERNMENT WILL NOT INTERFERE IN BEAN PRICES

Woodland, Sept. 3.—In a letter received here from H. C. Miller, President of the California Bean Dealers' Association, who has just returned from Washington, D. C., is contained the information that the Government has no intention fixing a price on beans.

The bean crop of this country, together with imports from other countries, will be large enough for all purposes, making artificial prices unnecessary, writes Miller.

We have all makes and all grades of baby buggies at Croke's, 1018-20 K Street. Your credit is good, too.

WOODLAND NATIVES WILL MAKE BIG SHOWING IN SACRAMENTO

Woodland, August 30.—As a result of a meeting here this evening Woodland Parlor of Native Sons will be appropriately represented in the big Admission Day parade at Sacramento. Sheriff J. W. Monroe, President of the Parlor, took the initiative in proposing that the local Natives enter in a body. No expense will be spared to make a good showing.

In past years the Woodland Native Sons have always qualified in the prize winning list. Of late they have shown but little inclination to parade on their big day of the year. This coming Admission Day, however, will see them out in full strength.

The Woodland Parlor is one of the strongest in the State, numbering many of the most. influential residents in Yolo County.

FARM ADVISER HELD BY SUPERVISORS

Woodland.—N. P. Searls is still the Farm Adviser of Yolo County. At the latest meeting of the Supervisors the board refused to contract for his services for a year, but decided that he continue his work indefinitely.

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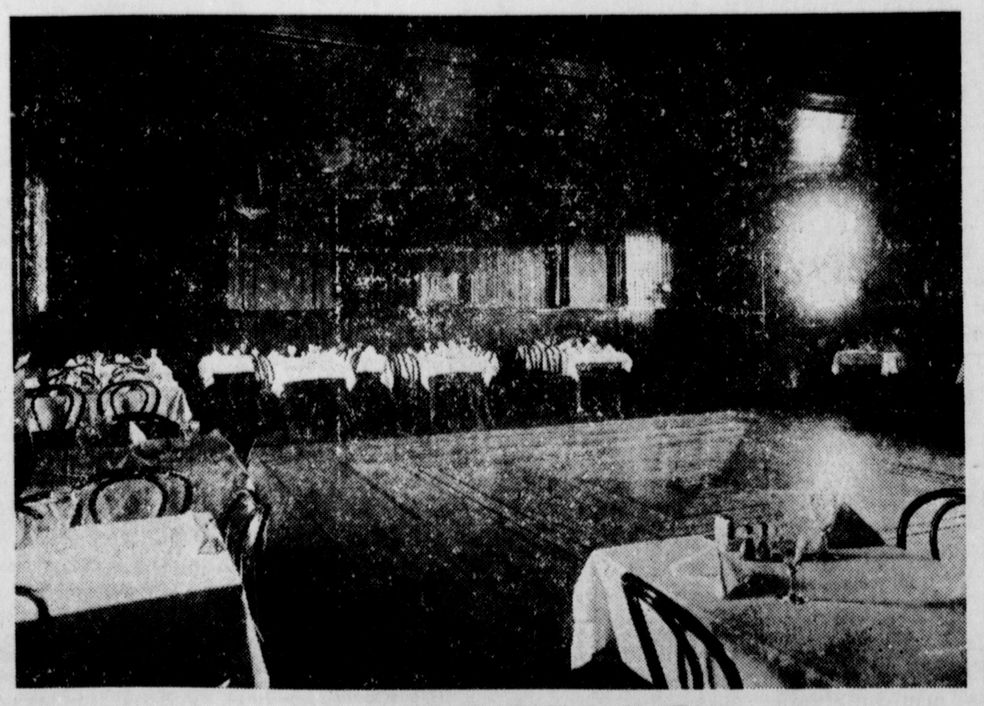
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Afternoon DANCING Evening

Police log

Aug. 27, 10:55 p.m.
A 47-year old West Capitol Ave. man was arrested for rape and sexual assault on the night and morning of Aug. 26-27. He was accused of tying a woman to a bed and assaulting her twice.

Aug. 31
Officers contacted a 22-year old man for jaywalking on West Capitol and found six syringes in his possession. The man's brother, also contacted, said the suspect was selling the syringes for cigarette money, and that he had obtained them from his mother, who was aware of what the suspect was doing. Both were cited and released.

Aug. 31, 11:35 p.m.
Two officers were observing a Sacramento Ave. convenience market. A vehicle parked nearby, and they saw an 18-year old man exit, enter the store, and run out with four bags of chips he hadn't paid for. The man fled in his vehicle, but was stopped and arrested.

Sept. 1, 1:05 p.m.
Two men were found at the scene of a burglary in progress on South River Road. One told police they were there to "strip wires." the pair were arrested.

Sept. 1, 1:45 p.m.
A 24-year old man was arrested after he took a blank check from his mother's purse without permission, forged her name on it and attempted to cash it at a local check cashing service. The mother signed a citizen's arrest.

Sept. 1, 3:10 p.m.
A 31-year old man entered a local supermarket with only a nickel in his possession. He took two packs of meat, placed them in his cart, and moved to another aisle, where he put the merchandise down his shirt. He then exited the store without paying and was arrested for shoplifting.

Sept. 3, 8:50 p.m.
At a James St. location, a woman said her 25-year old husband had hit her and prevented her from leaving. Injuries included a large bump on her face. A witness told officers that the man had pushed the woman down while preventing her from leaving. The suspect was booked.

Sept. 4, 11:39 a.m.
A female caller asked for medical aid, saying she had tried to kill herself the previous night by taking a bottle of sleeping pills, but the suicide attempt had not succeeded.

Sept. 4, 9:02 p.m.
A caller reported that a friend in his pickup truck, possibly armed with a 9 m.m. semi-automatic pistol, was threatening suicide. Police found him outside his vehicle off the road nearJefferson Blvd. and the Sacramento River, with a windshield shattered and the vehicle on fire. They warned firefighters that ammunition in the vehicle was apparently exploding as the fire progressed and called for crisis intervention help for the man.

Jackson & Nolan wed



Alissa Dyane Jackson and James Robert Nolan were married on July 7 in Santa Cruz.

Alissa is the daughter of Linda Jackson of West Sacramento and David Jackson of Burnaby, Canada. She is a 1990 graduate of River City High School and currently attends the University of California at Santa Cruz, studying computer engineering. James is also a computer engineering student at U.C. Santa Cruz.

Attending the couple were Rachel Rischpater, matron of honor; Jennifer Jackson, bridesmaid; and Lance Kinley, best man.

Following a trip to Oahu, Hawaii, the newlyweds came back to their home in Santa Cruz.

Jackson & Rhinehart



Jennifer Lind Jackson and Joshua Clark Rhinehart of West Sacramento were married on July 28 at The Embassy Suites at South Lake Tahoe.

The bride is the daughter of Linda Jackson of West Sacramento and David Jackson of Burnaby, Canada. She is a 1993 graduate of River City High School and presently studies under the liberal studies program at California State University, Sacramento.

Parents of the groom are Amanda and Gary Wilson of Vacaville, Calif., and Harold Rhinehart of Billings, Montana. He is a 1991 graduate of Vacaville High School and is currently employed as a refinery technician at the Exxon Refinery in Benicia, Calif.

Attending the couple were Denise Treichler, Alissa Jackson, and Oscar Gallegos.

The couple will reside in West Sacramento.

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Building permits, etc.

By Bhu Patel
Building Division Manager
City of West Sacramento

Building permits are not required for the following types of work:

Fences under 6' in height (except CMU Concrete Masonry unit wall) as long as they are not constructed in the front yard setback or over easements.

Portable structures.

Painting.

Concrete.

Small arbors.

Concrete/asphalt driveways (not more than 30" above grade).

Wallpapering (finish work), except in commercial facilities where flame-spread is an issue.

Carpeting/flooring, tile, lino, etc.; unless disabled access is an issue.

Small sheds without electrical or plumbing (detatched/120 sq. ft. or less of projected roof area); zoning setbacks must however be adhered to.

Replacement of electrical fixtures.

Retaining walls under four feet high (from bottom of footing to top of the wall -- no surcharge).

Replacing doors and windows in-kind.

Installation or replacement of glass shall be as required for new installations to meet current building code.

Replacing plumbing fixtures in-kind.

Residential wood paneling (finish work).

Adding insulation in attic (approved or listed material to be used).

Any Cautions?

1. Any replacement work which requires structural, electrical, plumbing or mechanical changes does require a building permit.

2. There is lead in most old paints. Chips from scraping, dust from sanding, and painted doors, windows, trim, cabinets, and sheet rock may contain lead.

3. There may be asbestos in textured ceiling materials and floor tiles. This is a hazardous material which must be disposed of properly. Have your material tested before attempting to remove it. Contact Air Quality Management District at 757-3650 for further details and the building department if asbestos is present.

4. Driveway and lawn sprinkler work cannot take place in the city right of way.

5. Find the location of all underground pipes and wires before you dig.

6. Small structures are not allowed in utility easements.

7. Portable structures which require "hard" wiring to the house require permits.

8. The sidewalk is not your front property line. Front property lines are generally two feet or more behind the sidewalk. the area between the sidewalk and

Please see BUILDING, page 12

This week in local government

Planners to discuss Port deal

A meeting of the **West Sacramento Planning Commission** will take place on Thursday, September 7, at 6 p.m. in city council chambers, 2101 Stone Blvd.

Agenda items include zoning administrator actions (finding of consistency for 8th Street abandonment); continued consideration of an agreement between the Port of Sacramento and the City implementing the Seaway International Trade Center.

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This Week In History

On September 8, 1664, the Dutch peacefully yielded to the 300 British troops who seized the colony of New Netherlands from them ... **September 5, 1774**, the First Continental Congress began sessions in Philadelphia, protesting treatment by the British and demanding civil disobedience ... **September 5, 1795**, the U.S. paid a ransom for 115 seamen captured by Algerian pirates and insured peace by following up with a promise of annual tributes ... **September 7, 1797**, the U.S. frigate, the Constellation, was launched from Baltimore ... **September 9, 1850**, The Compromise of 1850, crafted by Senator Henry Clay, had California being admitted into the Union as the 31st state with slavery forbidden there; Utah and New Mexico were made territories with no decision made on slavery; the Fugitive Slave Law was made more stringent; and the slave trade was ended in the District of Columbia ... **September 4, 1886**, the Apache Indian, Geronimo, surrendered to U.S. authorities ... **September 9, 1919**, the Boston police force went on strike, causing the National Guard to be called out to break it ... **September 8, 1935**, Senator Huey Long, a national political leader, was assassinated, eerily fulfilling his self-prophecy ... **September 5, 1939**, the U.S. declared that it was neutral concerning the war in Europe ... **September 8, 1939**, President Franklin Roosevelt proclaimed a limited national emergency ... **September 9, 1943**, U.S. troops went into Italy ... **September 8, 1945**, U.S. forces went into Korea south of the 38th parallel with the objective of ousting the Japanese ... **September 9, 1945**, the supervision of Japan was given over to General Douglas MacArthur ... **September 4, 1951**, the first transcontinental television broadcast began with President Truman's address at the Japanese Peace Treaty Conference in San Francisco ... **September 8, 1951**, the U.S., Japan and 47 other countries signed the Japanese Peace Treaty in San Francisco ... **September 8, 1954**, the U.S., Great Britain, France, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Pakistan and Thailand signed a collective defense pact in Manila, thus beginning the Southeast Asia Treat Organization (SEATO) ... **September 4, 1957**, the governor of Arkansas, Orval Faubus, called out the National Guard to stop nine black students from entering Central High School in Little Rock, an all-white school .

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Local scene

Poker Run

The West Sacramento Resource Center is holding its fourth annual charity Poker Run. The run starts at the 6th Street Market and Deli in West Sacramento (that's the corner of 6th and C Street) on September 16. Sign-in between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. (the cut-off is 4 p.m.). All bikes are welcome. Trophies will be given to passenger and rider, rider high hand, low hand and for earliest sign-in. There will bee free food, live music and raffle prizes. The entry fee is $10 and canned food. All proceeds will benefit the center. Anyone wishing more information may contact Susan Lindahl at 372-8980.

PortFest '95

PortFest '95, West Sacramento's premier festival, celebrates its third public event on Saturday and Sunday, September 16 and 17. The festival is a free public event debuting a minimum of seven large vessels for all to view and tour. Among the vessels scheduled for this year's event are the Alma, the Point Brower, and the Cuuauhtemoc.

PortFest '95 will also feature music, a fireworks display, carnival rides, exhibits, a large array of food and craft vendors, and much more. PortFest '95 will be held on "Pier 6" at the Port of Sacramento, located just one block south of the freeway. Parking is available for only $3.

Music Festival

The third annual "Riverbank Music Festival" is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 10, beginning at 3 p.m., at the First Nationwide Bank Headquarters on Stillwater Rd. in West Sacramento. Tickets are $20 for adults in advance, or $23 at the door. The event is a fundraiser for the West Sacramento Parks Dept. Headlining will be "Los Lobos" and "Mumbo Gumbo." For information, call 373-5860.

Talent Show

Whether you like to dance, enjoy singing in the shower, juggle, or would like to try out a few new jokes, you need to get your act together and sign up for "Get Your Act Together," this year's annual talent show sponsored by Dance Vision Performing Troupe. The show will be non-competitive and welcomes all ages. The show will take place September 16 and 5 p.m. in Dance Factory's parking lot, located at 515 Michigan Blvd. (corner of Jefferson Blvd.). For more information, or to become a participant, call the Dance Factory at 371-5061.

Book Sale

The East Yolo Friends of the Library book sale (the last one of the year) will be held on the weekend of September 23 and 24. The Friends are asking for donations of books as soon as possible to allow time for sorting. All types of books are accepted. Many bestsellers and coffee table-type books end up on the library shelves instead of the book sale. Donations are accepted during library hours. Large quantities may be delivered to the back entrance on the east side of the building -- ring the buzzer. For library hours, call 371-9274.

Railroad Excursion

The Friends of the Yolo County Archives will present an excursion to Yolo County's Delta Town, Clarksburg, via the Yolo Shortline Railroad on Saturday, September 23, between 1:30 and 5 p.m. Tickets are $20 per person, will proceeds benefitting the Archives. Park your car and board the train at the parking lot on South River Road and Jefferson Blvd. in West Sacramento. A historian will be on the train to explain the history of Yolo County's Delta area. Light refreshments will be served. To obtain tickets, contact the Yolo County Branch Library nearest you; in West Sacramento, call the Arthur F. Turner Branch library at 371-5612.

Public invited to VFW picnic

By Lillian Sembach
V.F.W. Post and Auxiliary 8762
West Sacramento

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and its auxiliary of West Sacramento Post 8762 invites their friends and neighbors to their annual picnic, scheduled for Saturday, September 9 at the post picnic area, 905 Drever Street, starting at 1 p.m. Included will be the usual horseshoe contest, bingo, and other games.

This will be a gala affair, celebrating the end of World War II 50 years ago on September 2, as well as the establishment of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars on September 17, 1917 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The menu for the picnic will consist of barbecue ribs and chicken with potato salad, green salad, and hot corn-on-the-cob. The day will conclude with a big raffle. Tickets are on sale for a donation of $6 at the post on Drever Street. Come early and enjoy the fun. Call 371-7245 for additional details.

Circus: a good bet for family fun

By Steve Marschke

The circus is back, and judging from its performance in San Francisco last week, this year's edition won't disappoint.

Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey are celebrating their 125th anniversary this year, and open in Sacramento tonight (Sept. 6), with performances through Sunday, Sept. 10.

Missing are a few of the real crowd pleasers from last year, such as the three-rings-at-once canine show and the equestrian performance. But remaining are such crowd pleasers as the trapeze acts and a thrilling show in which three dirt-bike riders criss-cross each other's paths around the inside of a metal globe.

The show, which lasts almost 2 1/2 hours with an intermission, also features a tiger-taming act and some impressive tricks with elephants.

But overall, the 1995 circus depends less on animals than previous editions of the circus. Perhaps some of this is due to the animal rights activists who dog the Ringling Brothers performances, passing out leaflets which say, "Clowns Yes, Animals No," for the past several years?

The clown performances are, also, as always, a crowd pleaser. (It's worth showing up a half hour early for the liesurely, pre-show clown antics).

A highlight occurs when chief clown David Larable enlists help from four audience members to stage a center-ring opera production, complete with lip-synching and a rubber sword. Hilarious.

Another recent addition is a troop of youthful gymnasts (the "Chicago Kidz"), who put on an impressive display which includes vaulting over a row of elephants. There are also hip-hop dance numbers and other attempts to woo the youthful part of the audience.

All in all, a good show.

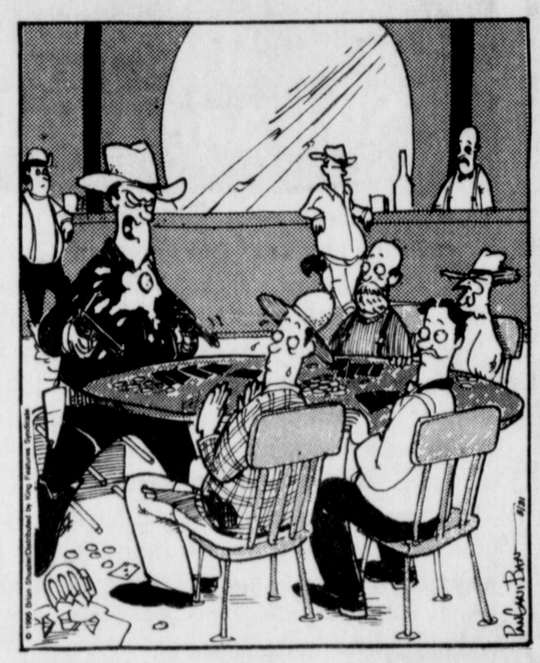
The Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus plays evenings this Thursday through Saturday at the Arco Arena, with additional daytime performances on Saturday and Sunday. Tonight's performance is family night, with $5 savings on tickets.

Ticket prices for adults range from $10.50 to $14.50, with a $2 savings for children under 12. They are available at the Arena Box office (no service charge) or at Bass ticket outlets, with a service charge of $1.50 per ticket.

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CHAOS

by BRIAN SHUSTER



"One of you threw that egg. I'm figuring it was you, Billy, or should I say Billy the egg-throwing kid?"

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Still more things going on include amateur boxing sponsored by HBO, air shows and skydiving, antique and classic cars, truck and motorcycle shows, race cars, cultural and historical exhibits, a triathlon and lots of craft vendors.

The Port of Sacramento is located in West Sacramento (Yolo County) along the Sacramento River, and it's a short easy drive from anywhere in the North Bay Area or Sacramento Valley. Take Interstate 80 or Highway 50 to West Sacramento and exit at Harbor Blvd. The Port of Sacramento -- the gateway for business and industry in the Sacramento Valley and host to PortFest '95 -- is one block south of the freeway. Parking is available for only $3 but the event is free. It's just one more reason why you don't want to miss this festival of fun, food, and friends.

"It really is a premier family event," Roberts said proudly.

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your front property is part of the right-of-way and cannot be built on.

9. Illegal construction does not become legal with time. If you suspect that you have construction that is illegal, you should contact your insurance company and the appropriate city departments to determine the status and possible remedies. Any suspect construction also must be disclosed on real estate disclosure forms.

General Requirements

1. Fences must meet the zoning code requirements for height in the front and streetside sideyards. Contact the City's Planning Department for these requirements.

2. Any work within the street right-of-way requires an encroachment permit. Contact the City's Engineering Division for these requirements.

3a. Portable spas and portable pools must be located on the rear half of most lots. A building permit may be required -- please check with the building division.

3b. Portable spas and portable pools must be fenced off to the standards of an in-ground pool. See the City's Planning Department for these standards and the Building Division for barriers for swimming pools, spas and hot tubs.

4. Small structures over three feet high are not allowed in the front yard and sideyard setback areas.

5. Small structures may be placed within the rear yard and interior sideyard setbacks. Check with the Building Department and Planning Department for code requirements and zoning regulations.

6. Driveways, patios, and landscaping contouring cannot be designed and built so as to direct rain water runoff onto a neighbor's parcel.

7. If you are thinking about a project, check to see if there are any Codes, Covenants, and Restrictions (C.C.&R.) on your lot which would preclude it. C.C.&R. are sometimes have higher standards than City requirements. C.C.&R. are enforced by legal action from other property owners and not by the City. A title company could get you a copy of the document for a fee.

8. Caution: Fences are rear and interior side property lines should be discussed and agreed upon with your neighbor before you start construction to avoid disputes about the location of the common property line.

9. Caution: Replacement of water and sewer pipes requires permits, see Permit exception handout for plumbing items of no permits requirements. Repairs to the main and that portion of the lateral within the right-of-way are the responsibility of the City. Repairs and replacement of laterals between the front property line and the building are the responsibility of the owner.

Telephone number for the building division is 373-5822; for the planning/engineering division. 373-5854.

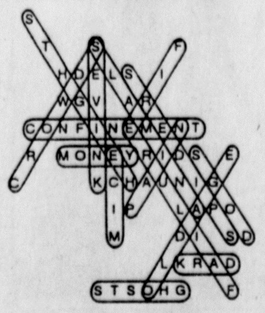
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Vision Teasers

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Sports Quiz Answers

1. croquet; 2. California; 3. Peru; 4. 3 years old; 5. the Arkansas Razorbacks; 6. four; 7. three; 8. Reggie Jackson

Answers to Super Crossword

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From a Mother to a Mother

By Sharon Castellano

Dear Mother:

I am writing this little note to you to say that Mother to Mother, heart to heart, I share your pain this day and wish that I could help you to make the days come easier.

I have always been one that knew what to say, when to say it and be the perfect person in a time of need. That self-image was destroyed when I also lost my daughter in a tragic car accident.

My life has been changed forever. As most mothers, I adored my daughter as my child and as a person because she was special, just as your son was and these things just are not supposed to happen to our children.

It is so bizarre to bury your child, it is just not in the natural order of things. We expect to bury our parents, or grandparents or elder people in our family, but nothing prepares us to bury our children.

The one thing that I have learned from this tragedy is that God is the only source of comfort. My faith has been tested and through my anger, has come the calm of knowing that children are only a gift that is given for however long we have and our job is to treasure and love and nurture and do what we can in our own way to help guide them in whatever path they choose. The hardest part is to let them go when the time comes, even if it comes in the form of death...

You sent your child home today with love and spirit and grace. I thank you for allowing his friends to share with you and your family his leave-taking.

When everyone is gone and the pain and grief overwhelms you, love is the thing that will see you through. It is okay to cry and rant and rave, to quietly hold the pain within and to agonize at those odd times that come when, for no reason, you find yourself in depression and pain. It will happen again and again, and it is okay.

Many times you will be numb and feel like you are frozen inside, and in that, you will feel like something is wrong with you, but it is normal and the way grief strikes. Whatever you feel, however you act is the way that you will deal with the pain. But I can only tell you, share it with someone. The pain. The rage. The anger. Talk about his death and how you feel. Believe me, it does help.

I send this letter to you with love and hope and encouragement and promise that God never gives us more than we can bear, it only feels that way. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

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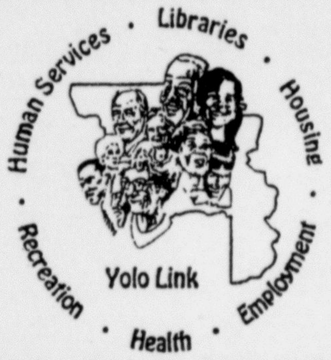
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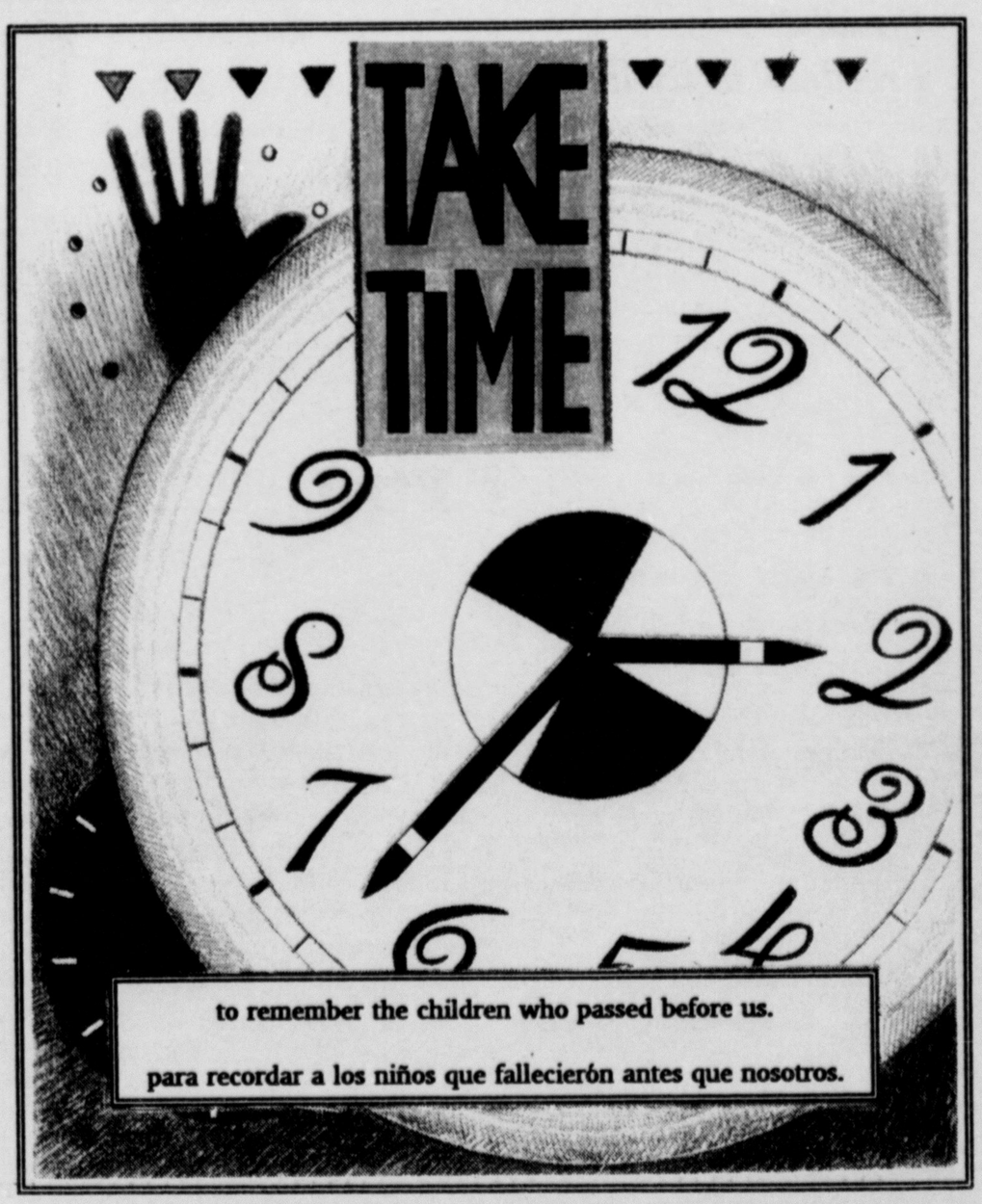
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And also understanding
To conquer this
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And see the sun's gape
Every morning from my window.

I want my family together
Strong as a rack
Not like a piece of paper
Which is easy to lose.

I already know the bitter flavor of pain
Now allow me to be able to see
The happiness that...
Only you can offer me.

Listen to my heart's outcry
Which is desperately
Wanting for your love.



to remember the children who passed before us.

para recordar a los niños que fallecierón antes que nosotros.

CAPAY VALLEY, ESPARTO & MADISON

El Triunfo de las Aguilas Azules de Esparto!



"Reunirse los Lunes, Miercoles y Viernes cuando el calor está hasta 102 grados, requería mucho trabajo y dedicación," reporta Patricia Aguirre acerca del Equipo de Football Soccer de Las Aguilas Azúles de Esparto.

Todo ese trabajo y dedicación tuvo sú recompenza cuando las Aguilas Azúles bajo la supervisión y dirección de los entrenadored Daniel Alvarez, Eric Guerra y Alex Guerra. Llegarón a su triunfo y quedaron en segundo lugar en el Torneo de Soccer el pasado 30 de Julio en la escuela de Esparto (Middle School).

Equipos de Davis, Woodland, Grimes y Madison compitierón en el evento que marcó la culminación de las Aguilas Azúles en la primera temporada oficial.

"El equipo quiere darle las gracias a los padres de familia por toda la ayuda que brindarón y todo lo que cooperarón al llevarnos a todos los juegos," comentó Aguirre.

Despues de un descanzo, las Aguilas Azúles regrezarán al campo de juego.

Para más informes en como tu puedes ser parte de este equipo de Soccer, Aguilas Azúles de Esparto, comunicate con Esperanza Sanchez, Trabajadora Social de la Oficina de Yolo Unite al teléfono (916) 787-4738.

Esparto Blue Eagles Triumph!

"Getting together on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in 102 degree weather meant a lot of hard work and dedication," reports Patricia Aquirre about the Esparto Blue Eagles Soccer Team.

Their hard work paid off when the Blue Eagles, under the coaching expertise of Daniel Alvarez, Eric Guerra and Alex Guerra, soared to second place in the July 30th Soccer tournament at the Esparto Middle School.

Teams from Davis, Woodland, Grimes and Madison competed in the event which marked the culmination of the Blue Eagles first official season.

"The team would like to thank all of the parents for helping out at the concession stand and driving us to our games." adds Aguirre.

After a break, the Blue Eagles will be back on the playing field. For information on how you can become involved in the Esparto Blue Eagles Soccer Team contact Esperanza Sanchez, Yolo Unite Community Worker at (916) 787-4738.

On the River

By Robert Partlow

Glenn had worked for Standard Oil for thirty years. He was well liked by everyone. He was known as a good listener who was always there for a person in need. He had a dry sense of humor and it was hard to tell from his deadpan face when he was pulling your leg. When he retired he spent his days as he had always wanted, traveling around North America with his 21 foot aluminum fishing boat. That boat was his pride and joy. Every chance he got he put it in the water, hooked up the outboard motor and spent the day fishing. He was a simple man with simple needs. A body of water, a fishing line and his boat. He made friends wherever he went.

One day he was fishing on the Colorado river. It was a dangerous part of the river. A lot of old tree stumps and large rocks to navigate around. An easy place to damage a prize aluminum fishing boat. In the boat with him was a 12 year-old boy. He was big for his age and rather awkward. His face was starting to break out and girls weren't "yuckie" anymore but he wasn't too sure why. Like most 12 year-olds, he felt out of step with the whole world. Not yet a teenager, but no longer a child. He just didn't seem to fit anywhere. It is hard to be 12, because no one understands you.

And now he was on this river in a boat with this old man and nothing to do. As Glenn guided the boat through the different dangers in the river he noticed the look on the boys face and somehow, almost by instinct he knew what to do. "Bob, do you want to steer for awhile?"

At first I thought he was kidding, but then I realized he was not. He was giving me his prized possession to steer. He was trusting me to get us to the best fishing spot the river had to offer.

With that simple act he made me aware that I was important and that I did belong. I belonged to something much bigger than myself. I belonged to his family. Suddenly, being 12 wasn't so hard. With this simple act, my Grampa Pop taught me to believe in who I am.

Today I'm a father with two kids of my own. Many times I remember that day on the river and wonder if I will be able to teach them the same lesson. I know that if I do it will not be with words, it will be with actions. It will not be planned, it will just happen.

Just the same, everyday I pray that they will be touched by the same spirit that touched my life.

En el Río

Por Robert Partlow

Glenn habia trabajado para la compañia de Standard Oil por treinta años. Toda la gente le estimaba mucho. A él se le conócia como una persona que sabía escuchar y siempre estaba allí para ayudar a cualquier persona que lo necesitara. El tenía un buen sentido del humor y era muy dificil ver en su cara cuando el trataba de jugar alguna broma.
Cuando él finalmente se retiró de su trabajo, disfrutó de su tiempo libre como él simpre lo habia planeado; viajando por el Norte de America llevando consigo su lancha para pescar. Esta lancha era su orgullo y su diversión. Cada vez que él tenía una oportunidad, tomaba su lancha, le ensendia el motor y se pasaba todo el día pescando. El era un hombre simple con necesidades muy simples. Una masa de agua, una caña de pescar y su lancha. El hacia amigos en donde quiera que el iba.

Un día, mientras el pescaba en el río de Colorado. Era una parte del río muy peligrosa. Habia muchos troncos de arboles y rocas demaciado grandes. Un lugar donde facilmente podría dañar la lancha de pescar. En ésta lancha él llevaba un niño de 12 años de edad. Por lo grande y fuerte que el niño era, parecia que tenía mas edad. En sú cara ya se podian ver las pequeñas inperfecciones, y las muchachas ya le empezaban a llamar la atención. Pero él todavía no sabía el porque.

Como cualquier otro niño de 12 años, el se sentia fuera de lugar. Todavia no era un adulto, pero tampoco era ya niño. Simplemente parecia que él aún no podia encontrar sú lugar. Es muy dificil tener ésta edad, porque nadie te entiende.

Y ahora el estaba en este río en una lancha y con éste hombre ya mayor y sin nada que hacer. Cuando Glenn dirigia la lancha por los diferentes lugares de peligro por éste caudaloso río, él observaba, y experiencia e instinto podía ver en la cara lo que él niño estaba pendando y quería; y Glenn sabía lo que debía hacer. "Bob, ¿quieres dirigir la lancha por un rato?"

De primero pensé que estaba bromeando, pero despues me dí cuenta que no era así. El me estaba dando todo lo valioso que el poseía para que yo lo dirigiera. El estaba confiando en mí, y así de esta manera yo encontraría el lugar mas perfecto en todo el río para así pescar.

Con éste pequeno detalle, él me hizo sentir que yo éra importante y que yo sí contaba. Yo pertenecia a algo ó alguien mucho más importante que yo mismo. Yo pertenecia a su familia. De repente, el tener 12 años no era tan dificil como yo pensaba. Con éste pequeño detalle, mi Abuelo me enseño que debo de tener confianza en mi mismo y creer en la persona que yo soy.

Hoy en día, yo soy un padre de familia y tengo 2 hijos. Muchas veces yo recuerdo aquel día en el río y me pregunto si yo podré enseñarles a mis hijos la lección que aquel día mi abuelo me enseñó a mí. Yo se que si lo hago, lo haré no con palabras, sino con hechos. No será planeado, solamente será expontaneo.

Así de igual manera, día tras dia yo hago oración, para que ellos sean tocados por el mismo espíritu que aquel día toco mi vida.

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By Small Leaps and Clear Boundaries: Recovery With a Holistic Twist

(Second of a five-part series)

By Sandra Dolber-Smith, M.A., M.F.C.C.



"Time is but the stream I go a-fishing in. I drink at it; but while I drink, I see the sandy bottom and detect how shallow it is. Its thin current slides away, but eternity remains. I would drink deeper; fish in the sky, whose bottom is pebbly with stars."
Thoreau

In last quarter's article, I described an approach to setting boundaries called the WWWWWH Approach. This approach divides the challenge of setting clear personal boundaries into categories of Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How. Of these six categories, the "When" is often the most universally challenging. That is why I am moving it to first priority on the list.

"When" is about the territory of time. Whether time trickles as slowly as an icicle melting in the sun or rushes by as rapidly as a river torrent, movement is inevitable. With cupped hands, we may hold a sip of water barely long enough to drink it. While time seems to slip through our fingers as irrevocably as water, we can create containers to conserve time as we do to conserve water.

Does containing time seem contradictory? Think of a container as something that divides one thing from another. Notice the picture of Father Time holding a scythe. Some people find this image menacing. Yet the scythe is simply a tool - an instrument used to create a boundary by cutting a division line. As a farm tool, scythes separate a kernel of wheat from its shaft - a boundary dividing the most nourishing from least nourishing part of the plant. Father Time's scythe cuts a symbolic boundary - a boundary dividing the old year from the new. He divides the past we cannot change from the future we can change with a line to show the difference.

We create personal boundaries around time by cutting our own divisions. Cutting the dividing lines is relatively easy. We use a scythe called "time management". Before you say "BLEAH, I hate being chained to a schedule!" - let me show you how time management actually *breaks* chains rather than makes them. You can use time management to tap into the courage you need to change what is within your power to change.

There are a number of benefits from developing a healthy time management plan. Two of the biggest benefits are reducing anxiety and building self-esteem. A vague sense of "too much to do" hangs over like a dark, heavy cloud producing that awful feeling that it can't be done. Time management breaks up huge, worrisome clouds into small, contained, and do-able tasks. You give specific things that need doing a definite time for getting done you have a clear sense of what's finished and what's still left. Though there will always be more to do, you have frequent experiences of finishing things. Finishing something, no matter how small, feels successful. Many small successes in a single day lets you sleep with an expectation that you can be successful again tomorrow. "Doing" feels within your power. You feel less anxious and more self-confident of your capabilities.

Another benefit is your quality of attention for the task at hand. When you know you have time accomplish what you need to do, it's easier to concentrate on what you are doing. You don't waste energy worrying about and rehearsing future tasks. You are also more accessible to others. People get your full attention. When someone approaches at an inconvenient time, you can tell them a better time. You avoid interruption and the person feels assured of your availability.

Time management contains three ingredients: Priorities, Time Estimates, and Self-regulation. When you develop a plan that includes these ingredients you build a flexible check-list, not a rigid schedule. YOU decide what is important and by what criteria. YOU decide how much to fit into a limited time. YOU decide when to take friendly (or not so friendly) interruptions and when to set polite but firm limits with a plan to call back later or a clear message that you are not interested now or later.

This issue's self-experiment comes with a few guidelines for building (or refining) a time management plan that fits your personal priorities and style. Applying these guidelines range from planning a tightly structured daily schedule to jotting down a loosely itemized checklist.

DEVELOPING A TIME-MANAGEMENT PLAN

PURPOSE: To create or refine a personalized time-management plan.
TIME: 5-15 minutes daily. (If you have never even made a checklist, allow more time until the process becomes familiar.)
MATERIALS: Pencil and paper. Some may choose to have a calendar, a timepiece, and/or calculator on hand.

STEP ONE: (OPTIONAL)
Some find it helpful to assess their current schedule before making adjustments. Keep notes for a few days to a week. Log the way you spend your time from the time you get up in the morning until bed at night. Your record of task completion and incompletion will give an idea of parts of the day or types of tasks you want to manage differently.

STEP TWO: "TO DO"
Write down, in any order, all of the things you can think of that are hanging over your head to do. You will notice that some of the items need immediate attention while others can wait until the end of the week or the end of the month.

STEP THREE: PRIORITIZE
Start a fresh list to organize the items by priority. Top the list with items that *have* to be done to day or your world, such as you know it, will fall into chaos beyond repair. Next are items better done today, but not critical. At the bottom of the list are items that can wait.

STEP FOUR: ASSIGN DEADLINES
Tag the last items on your list with deadline dates. This ensures that tasks with a longer shelf life are not put on indefinite hold.

STEP FIVE: ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT
When priorities for certain tasks feel imposed by others, (work-imposed, family-imposed, life imposed, etc.) try asking - "How would I have to look at this task to make the priority important to ME." Some examples: Is it a small price for a job I love? (Or, a necessary price for a job I *really need?)* Does it contribute to the well-being of my family, which I value? Will it be a relief just to not have it hanging over me any longer?

STEP SIX: TIME ESTIMATIONS
Estimate the time it will take to do your top priority items. Add a 10% cushion for underestimation. Account for time you need for normal daily functions (eating, sleeping, commuting/chauffeuring, etc.) Allow at least one hour of personal, unscheduled time for yourself. (This may be divided into several small break periods.)

Total all of these estimates and compare with the number of hours in a day. Now estimate lower priority items and see how they fit into the day.

CAUTION AVOID SCHEDULING TASKS INTO EVERY SPARE SECOND ON THE CLOCK. THIS WILL OVERWHELM YOU AND SABOTAGE THE BENEFITS OF A HEALTHY TIME-MANAGEMENT PLAN. If you finish an item with time to spare, take a well deserved break. Get some fresh air. Stretch your legs. Sit down with a glass of ice water or cup of something hot.

HINTS: Stay on one task until it is done. If you get reminded of something that "will only take a minute", jot it down and do it as soon as you finish THIS task.

Cluster related tasks together. (For example, do all of your errands in the same part of town in one trip. Or do all grungy chores while wearing your grungy clothes.)

Setting clear personal boundaries around time is like budgeting money. You count how much you have and subtract the bare necessities of living. If you have money left over, you save some for a rainy day and spend a little on personal preferences. If there is not enough to make ends meet, you re-evaluate your source of income and/or your ideas about the bare necessities. With time or with money, even if the news is dreary, at least you know what the news IS.

With a clear picture of where the boundaries are, you can see where change is needed and can start generating ideas on how to make them. You feel less anxious and more self-confident. Your attention is better focused and others know what to expect from you.

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1st Annual Youth Sports Program is Tremendous Success!

By Rafael Rivera





The first annual National Youth Sports Program was a tremendous success! 377 participants from ages 10 - 16 attended the 5 week sports camp held at the UC Davis campus.

Youth from Yolo and Solano counties received drug and alcohol education, self-esteem workshops, college entrance requirements and a variety of sports activities including: basketball, football, soccer, swimming and dance. They also attended excursions to Water World, an Oakland A's game and a Sacramento River Rats' game.

With our fundraising efforts, we were able to provide 24 bicycles and helmets to give to participants with perfect camp attendance. We provided summer employment to a number of UC students as well as work experience for 25 Solano County JTPA participants.

Our Program Evaluator, John Lopez, was very impressed with his visit to our program and will be nominating us for "Best New Program".

On behalf of the National Youth Sports Program, thank you to all involved and supportive of our collaborative success!

Host Homes for Yolo County Youth Needed

By Bill Lostanau, Director
Runaway Alternatives Program

Allied Services for Kids (ASK) is a coalition of three agencies: Suicide Prevention of Yolo County, Yolo Family Services Agency, and Yolo Community Care Continuum working together to provide services to runaway and at-risk teens and their families. All services are free of charge.

Yolo Community Care Continuum provides the Runaway Alternatives Program which is aimed at providing services to teens who have run away, are homeless, or are at high risk of running away, as well as their families.

Part of our service is to provide temporary shelter (24 to 72 hours) to runaway, homeless youth in our county. The Host Home is a short-term placement of last resort. Its intent is to provide a time-out for parents and teens so that reunification is possible, assuming that's the most appropriate alternative.

The Host Home is a voluntary service for youth age 12 to 17 and a parent cannot place a child against his/her will. Also, parental permission is required.

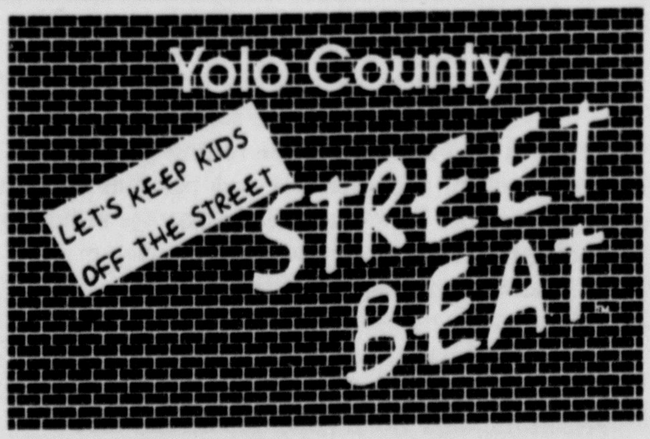
The Host Home screening criteria for youth is that he/she:

- Cannot be actively suicidal or homicidal
- Cannot have a record of criminal activity or fire starting.
- Have the understanding that this is a temporary placement and that involved people will need to address the problems.
- That there is "no other" safe, appropriate place for the youth to stay.
- That the youth is not currently in foster care or a group home.

The Runaway Alternative Program (RAP) goal is to secure, certify, and maintain Host Homes in Davis, Woodland, and West Sacramento and have them available for short-term, emergency placement.

RAP caseworkers are available to provide individual and family intervention counseling. Our caseworkers have regular office hours at junior high schools in Davis, Woodland, and West Sacramento, but still respond to any youth in need of its services.

If you are interested in participating as a Host Home, please call Bill Lostanau, Director of Runaway Alternatives Program at 758-2160.



Street Beat is a membership card and a directory for savings of up to 50% on dining, entertainment, goods and services available from local businesses. To purchase your very own **Street Beat** card, call **Friday Night Live at 666-8659**. This purchase helps to support their efforts and programs for teens and young adults which help prevent the use of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco.

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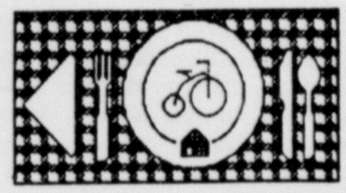
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The Young Diplomats

By the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group

Mandy's mom was ready to leave and wanted to give Mandy a kiss good-bye. Mandy was already at her toy box in her grandmother's house where she lived, looking for her old stuffed animal. She acted like she didn't hear her mother say good-bye. Mandy's mom said sharply, "Mandy, I'm leaving!" Mandy turned immediately and said contritely, "I'm sorry, Mom, I didn't hear you. Bye, Mom, I love you."

Jason was 11 years old, and he had already saved almost $100 toward his trip to Disneyland. He lived with his grandparents and was always looking for extra jobs to do at the house and at the neighbors'. He mowed lawns, took out trash barrels, walked the dogs and raked leaves in the fall. So it wasn't surprising when he turned away when his mother showed up at the house looking weary and thin, and begged him, "Please, please, Jason, I need the money, I'll pay you back, I promise." His grandfather watched silently from the doorway. Jason took a deep breath and muttered something, and went and got his money and gave it to his mother. Then he went into his room and cried.

Sharon held her 6-year-old son Nick on her lap. He squirmed around; he didn't like being held, he wanted to run and jump and play ball. Sharon called him "my sweet baby." Nick rolled his eyes. Sharon said, "You're the most important person in the whole world to me." Nick muttered "Yuh, right." When Sharon asked him what he said, he answered "I know" and squirmed himself right off her lap. She called after him, "I'm sorry I didn't get to visit you last Saturday. Something came up and I just couldn't get away."

It's kind of a strange and sad thing when little kids try to be diplomats, super tactful and very careful to say just the right thing to the right person, even when it's obvious that they feel differently from what they say.

Each of these children was put in the position of responding to a parent in a way that was false to their own feelings. Each of these children lives with their grandparents because their own parents have failed to provide an adequate home for them. Each of these children is growing up with the idea that you have to placate parents and not let them know when they hurt you, disappoint you or take advantage of you.

These three children are relatively lucky. They each live with grandparents who love them, who take care of them in a wholesome environment and who talk to them about their true feelings. Mandy loves stories about Rocky, the racoon, whose mother always needs to be told she is loved. Mandy makes up scenes in which Rocky tells his mother he is angry that he can't live with her, something Mandy can't do in real life.

Jason's grandfather tells him that he doesn't have to give his mother his hard-earned money. Jason says he has to, because he hates it when she is angry at him. After a lot of discussion over many days, Jason finally concludes that maybe he doesn't have to give her all of his money. And several months later, he comes to the conclusion that the money he has been giving his mother has not gone for any positive use, and therefore, he doesn't have to feel guilty about saying "no."

Nick still hasn't resolved his feelings. "Why can't she do what she says she'll do, like everyone else?" He hasn't yet understood that the same drug and alcohol problems that make it impossible for his mother to take care of him also make it impossible for her to be reliable in his life. He doesn't like being different, and sometimes he is angry at his grandmother because she is the only accepting person in his life.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren is a support group that welcomes Yolo County relatives raising children who cannot live with their natural parents. We meet on the third Thursday of every month at the Senior Center in Davis. Call 757-5696 for more information.

Everything that is done in the world is done by hope.
Martin Luther King

African-American National Anthem

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of liberty
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won

Stony the road we trod
Bitter the chastening rod
Felt in the days when hope unborn has died
Yet with a steady beat
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed
We have come over a way that with tears have been watered

We have come treading our path through
The bold of the slaughtered
Out from the gloomy past
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast

God of our weary years
God of our silent tears
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way
Thou who has by thy might
Led us into the light
Keep us forever in the path we pray
Lest our feet stray from the places our God where we met Thee
Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world we forget Thee
Shadowed beneath Thy hand
May we forever stand
True to our God
True to our native land

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How to Become Racist (Part 2)

By Havocc

Life persists as a constant struggle. A continuing fight to live, with an eventual death. On January 3, 1989, my struggle was washed with bitterness, hatred, and pain. I longed for the comfort of cold, non-existence. Yet, subconsciously I realized I couldn't just die.

As the Sheriff's flashlight thumped into my face, chipping another tooth, my mind wandered back into a painless zone. Paramedics arrived to check me. "We need to take his pulse, could you uncuff him?" Damn, his face is blue! Hey kid, are you okay?" I just wanted to sleep.

"You probably have hypothermia and your vitals... We need to get him to the hospital NOW!" I came awake remembering what my mom once told me. "We don't have insurance, so if you go to the hospital - we could lose the house." I adamantly refused to go to the hospital. The E.M.T. looked at me sadly and replied "Okay, but ya gotta sign this waiver."

I signed and started my journey into hell. The booking occurred. Eight hours upon the cold concrete in wet clothes, shivering and blue. Finally, I was moved, after my mugshot was taken, into the drunk tank. Using the pay phone, I called home. "Mom, I'm in jail. I'm hurt bad. I don't think I'm gonna make it." Tears welled in my eyes. This was, most likely, the last time I would hear her voice.

"Mijo, what happened? Where're you hurt? Is anything broken?"

I lifted my shirt and saw ribs poking through skin. I thought, because of them stomping on me, my rib had snapped and popped out. I told my mom the same. She choked back tears and tried to keep calm. Being a former nurse, she knew about concussions and how easy it is to slip into a coma and die.

"Mijo, don't go to sleep. Please, for me. Don't - go - to - sleep."

Don't worry, I'll be okay." A tear rolled down my cheek. I hung up the phone after hearing her say "I love you."

My mind flashed and went numb for hours. After being talked through the humiliation of the strip search, we were given clothes and led outside into the inner hall.

"Hands up to your elbows in your pants, grab your nuts, and look straight at the ground. You look up, we'll take that as a sign of aggression and f... you up! NOW, feet spread three feet from the wall and touch you foreheads to it!"

Homie next to me complained and it looked as if he swiped some honey. Brown and yellow uniforms swarmed like bees. He went down under the pile smacking his head into concrete. Repeatedly. I took notice and learned.

I was given my bedroll and blanket and taken to the infirmary due to my injuries. The phone was in use so I rolled out my bed on the floor and fell asleep.

"Mijo, lay your head on my lap."

"Grandma, I'm so hot, so tired. Please take it away."

"It's okay, Mijo. I love you. Rest while I sing you to sleep."

Never did I believe in spirits before that night. Miraculously my grandmother had appeared in my dream to soothe me. She had always thought of me as her son, the one a hospital had taken away. She spoke no english and they spoke no spanish, so they didn't explain that her child was stillborn. I was born a little later so that love transferred.

I had a chance to see her in December before this incident, but I didn't go. She passed away after I talked to her and told her that I was too busy to go down there. In reality, I wanted to stay and party with my friends.

My tears and guilt can't replace her, so I thought it was natural for her to be in my dream, caressing away the pain. She talked to me over and over again telling me she loved me. I told her I was so sorry for not seeing her. All she said was "Shh, mijo... don't say anything. I know you love me and I'm always here for you. So rest and don't worry."

To be continued...

Como Convertirse en Racista

Por Havocc

La vida sige como una constante lucha, una lucha continua en la vida, que eventualmente concluye con la muerte. El 3 de Enero de 1989, mi lucha fue la amargura, el odio y el dolor. Yo deseaba no sentir el frio, y yo deseaba no existir, pero en mi subconciente yo sabía que aún no podía morir.

Cuando la lampara del Comisario (Sheriff) golpeaba mi cara quebrandome así otro diente, mi mente vagaba por una zona donde no se sentia el dolor. Los Paramédicos llegarón para revisarme. "Necesitamos tomarle el pulso, ¿podemos quitarle las esposas?" Maldición, su cara está azúl! "Oye muchacho, ¿Estas bien?" Yo solamente quería dormir.

"Tal vez tu tengas hipotermia y ya seas solo una estadistica mas... Nececitamos llevarlo al hospital AHORA MISMO!" Yo me desperté recordando lo que una vez mi mamá me dijo: "Nosotros no tenemos seguro médico, y si tú vas al hopital podríamos perder hasta nuestra casa. "Yo me negé rotundamente a ir al hospital. Los Paramédicos me veían tristemente y me decian: "está bien, no te llevaremos, pero tú tienes que firmar ésta renuncia."

Yo firmé y empezé mi jornada en un infierno. La recervación empezaba. Ocho horas en el cemento frío y con la vestidura mojada, tembloroso y morado. Finalmente, despues de que me removierón el disparo acausa del asalto, me transladarón a la carcel donde llevan a todos los borrachos. Ahí, usé el telefono público y llamé a la casa: "Mamá, estoy en la carcel. Estoy herido feamente. Yo no creo que sobreviva. "Lagrimas manaban en mis ojos. Lo mas seguro era que, ésta sería la ultima vez que oiría su voz.

"¿Mijo, qué te pasó? ¿Dónde te accidentaste? ¿Te quebraste algún hueso? Me levanté la camisa, y me ví las costillas quebradas, y éstas atravezaban mi piel. Yo pensaba: y todo por la culpa de aquellos que me pisotearon; mis contillas se quebrarón, se safarón, y hasta atravezando mi piel, se me salierón. Yo le dije a mi mamá ésto mismo. Ella retubo sus lagrimas y trató de mantener la calma. Como ella era Enfermera, sabía perfectamente lo fácil que es quedar inconciente y lo fácil que es pasar al estado de coma y hasta morir.

"Mijo, no te duermas. Por favor, hazlo por mi. No-te-duermas." "No te preocupes, yo estaré bien." Una lagrima rodo por mi mejilla. Y colgue el teléfono despues de escuchar su voz que me decía: "Te quiero mucho hijo."

Mi mente se perdio y se durmio por horas. Despues de haber sido humillado cuando me desnudarón y me esculcarón; nos dierón una ropa y nos dejarón afuera en el pasillo.

"Manos arriba y los codos en sus pantalones, ponganse las manos en los testiculos y la mirada fija al frente y al suelo. Sí tan siquierea ven hacia arriba, nosotros consideraremos ésto como un acto de agreción y nos los ching... AHORA, separen los pies a un metro de la pared, y recargue la frente sobre ésta misma.

El bato que estaba a un lado de mí se quejaba mucho, y parecia que había comido miel. Uniformes cafes y amarillos estaban y pasaban a su alrredor como un unjambre de colmenas. El calló al suelo golpeandose la cabeza en el cemento. Una vez mas, yo obserbaba todo ésto y aprendia al mismo tiempo. A mí se me dio una camilla y una cobija y me llevarón a la enfermería a causa de mis heridas. Estaban usando el teléfono, así que yo extendí mi cama sobre el suelo y me quede dormido.

"Mijo, recarga tu cabeza en mis faldas."

"Abuelita, me siento muy caliente y cansado. Por favor, quitame ésto."

"Todo está bien Mijo. Yo te quiero mucho. Descanza y yo te cantaré y te arrullaré hasta que te duermas."

Nunca antes de ésta noche yo creía en los espíritus. Milagrosamente, mi abuelita aparecio en mis sueños para aliviarme. Ella siempre me consideró como su hijo, ese hijo que un día en el hopital le fue arrebatado. Ella no hablaba ingles, y ellos no hablaban español, así que no le explicarón que su bebé habia naciso muerto. Yo nací poco despues de que ésto pasó, así que ese amor que ella tenía lo transmitio todo a mí.

Mis lagrimas y la culpabilidad ya no pueden remplazarla; es por eso que yo pensé que era normal que élla apareciera en mis sueños, y con sus caricias aliviar mi dolor. Ella me hablaba y me hablaba una y otra vez diciendome que me queria mucho. Yo le dije que me disculpara por no haberla hido a visitar. Todo lo que ella me respondio fue "Shhh, mijo... no digas nada. Yo se que tú me quieres y yo siempre estaré aquí contigo. Así que descanza y no te preocupes.

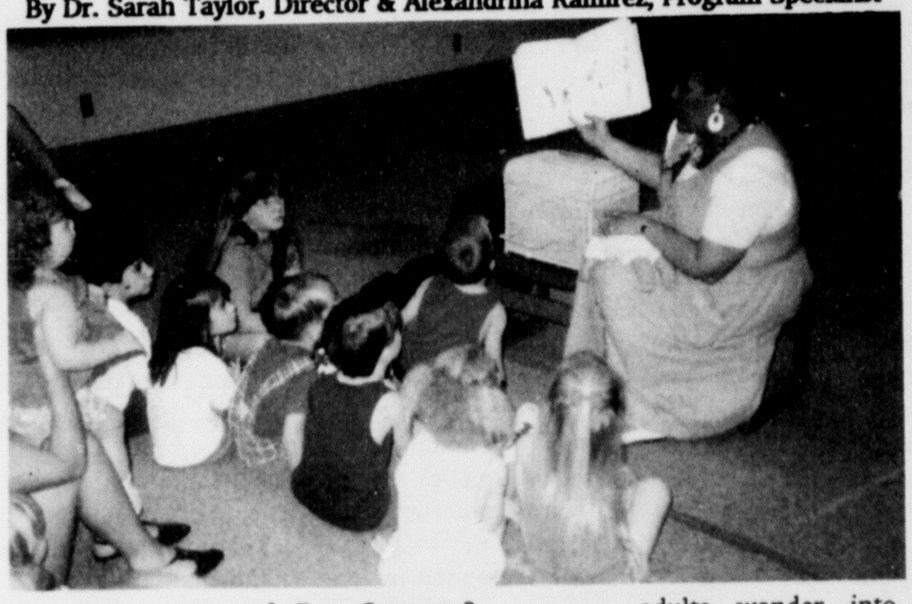
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Even Start: An Innovative Family Support Program

By Dr. Sarah Taylor, Director & Alexandrina Ramirez, Program Specialist



After two years of planning and program development by Washington Unified School District Staff and community members the Even Start Family Literacy Program recently began serving West Sacramento families.

On May 1, 1995 the program was opened to the "freshman class" of seventeen parents and eleven toddlers.

The Even Start Family Literacy Program is an innovative and collaborative family support program that targets three goals: 1) preparing young children to come to school ready to learn, 2) providing literacy training to their parents and 3) parent education to break the intergenerational cycle of illiteracy and poverty.

The City of West Sacramento, local service clubs, and many Yolo County services, including the Departments of Mental Health, Public Health, Alcohol and Drug Programs, Yolo Unite and Yolo County Library, joined the school district to work toward these goals.

What would a visitor to Even Start see?

It's Monday morning and the parents arrive with toddlers in tow. The children scamper to the adjoining play room to see what new activity is out today. The parents get a cup of coffee while waiting for class to begin.

Toddlers come up to get their name tags as they respond to the "Good Morning" that all the adults and children chant. A song or a story begins in which adults and children alike participate.

It is time for the adult classes to begin. As the children return to the play room, several women gather their materials and find a quiet corner in which to work and tackle their GED courses with energy and enthusiasm. Instruction for the students takes place on an individual basis throughout the morning. Topics in their curriculum area are related to real-life situations.

The rest of the class (primarily Spanish-Speaking) is ready to learn English. They turn their attention to the teacher and engage in the day's lesson.

After break time, the adults wander into the toddler room and engage in a child-chosen activity with their toddler. This time is set aside to practice or observe behaviors that have been the topic of discussion in the Parent Education component. Children show pride in the activities they choose and parents practice what they have learned. The morning comes to a close with another whole group circle time.

Alexandrina ("Drina") Ramirez, the Even Start Program Specialist, is a native of West Sacramento, and an early childhood education graduate of the University of California, Davis. She has been teaching with the District for eighteen years and is also a trainer and lecturer.

West Sacramento families with young children, birth through age seven, with educational needs and an interest in the program are invited to call the Even Start office at 372-4242, located at 1200 Anna Street for additional information. The program will open for the 1995-96 school year in late August.

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Even Start: Un Programa Innovador de Apoyo Familiar

Por la Dr. Sarah Taylor, Directora & Alexandrina Ramirez, Especialista del Programa

Despues de dos años de planear y programar un plan de desarrollo por el consejo del Distrito Escolar (Washington Unified School District) y los miembros de la comunidad, el programa familiar de alabetización "Even Start" recientemente empezó a servir a las familias de la ciudad de West Sacramento.

El 1 de Mayo de 1995, el programa fue abierto a la clase entrante (freshments) que consiste en 17 padres de familia y 11 niños pequeños.

El programa familiar de alfabetización Even Start, es un program innovador y de apoyo colavorativo familiar, que tiene 3 propositos: 1) Preparar niños para que asistan a la escuela y estén listos para aprender cuando ellos tengan que ingresar a una escuela primaria, 2) Proveer entrenamiento de alfabetización a los padres de familia y 3) Evitar por medio de la educación escolar que se les imparte a los padres de familia, que todas estas cadenas de analfabetismo y pobreza sigan.

La ciudad de West Sacramento, los grupos de servicios locales y muchos otros servicios en el Condado de Yolo, incluyendo el Departamento de Ayuda Mental, el Departamento de Salud, el Departamento de Drogas y Alcoholismo, Yolo Unite y la Librería del Condado de Yolo, se unen al Distrito Escolar, para lograr estas metas.

¿Qué es lo que una persona vería cuando ésta visita el lugar del programa Even Start?

Es lunes por la mañana, los padres de familia llegan con sus hijos en el autobus. Los niños corren a la sala de juegos adyacente, para ver que actividad ó juego nuevo hay para el día de hoy. Mientras tanto, los padres de familia disfrutan de una taza de café, esperando que sus clases den principio. Los niños regresan para con sus padres y maestros para así recibir una etiqueta con sus respectivos nombres y la vez, responden al saludo de "Buenos Dias" que tanto niños como adultos pronuncian. Una historia ó una canción comienza, en la cual tanto adultos como niños participan de igual forma. Es tiempo ya de que la clase para los adultos de principio. En cuanto los niños regresan a la sala de juegos algunas mujeres preparan y escojen sus materiales y buscan un lugar callado dentro del cuarto para así en forma de grupo empezar a trabajar y estudiar los cursos para obtener su diploma de GED con alegría y entusiasmo.

Las instrucciones para los estudiantes son dadas individualmente por las mañanas. Los temas se basan en el area de su curriculum y son relacionados a situaciones de la vida real.

Mientras las instrucciones se dan individualmente, el resto de los estudiantes (principiapalmente los de habla hispana) están listos para aprender el Ingles. Ellos prestan su atención al maestro y se concentran en el tema del día.

Despues del receso, los adultos se pasea por la sala de juegos de los niños y participan con ellos en cualquier actividad ó juego que el niño(a) esté realizando ó prefiera. De ésta forma los padres de familia aprobechan éste tiempo para observar y practicar el comportamiento de su hijo(a) que por mucho tiempo ha sido el tema principal de discusión el los componentes de la educación del niño y de los padres.

De ésta forma los niños se sienten orgullosos de las actividades que realizan y los padres saben lo que su hijo(a) está ó ha aprendido.

La mañana llega a sú fin con otro nuevo grupo; y nuevamente se repite el mismo procedimiento.

Alexandrina (Drina) Ramirez es la Especialista del programa Even Start; originaria de la ciudad de West Sacramento; egresada de la Universidad de California, Davis; graduada y especializada en Educación para niños a temprana edad. Ella ha estado impartiendo clases en el Distrito Escolar por 18 años y de igual forma es lectora y entrenadora.

Familias en West Sacramento que tienen niños pequeños desde nacimiento hasta los 7 años de edad con necesidades de educación e interesadas en el programa, se les invita para que llamen y se comuniquen a la oficina del programa "Even Start" al teléfono (916) 372-4242. La oficiana está localizada en el 1200 de la calle Anna para información adicional.

El programa correspondiente al año escolar 1995-96 se abrirá los ultimos días del mes de Agosto.

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Commitment Makes a Difference

By Sean Alexander

ЖЕЛАНИЕ И ОТДАЧА МОГУТ ИЗМЕНИТЬ МНОГОЕ

Russian



It is Summer 1995 at the Rivergate Apartment complex in West Sacramento. Flowers are blooming on the newly landscaped grounds and the only sounds in the air are those of construction as refurbishing is completed. To the casual observer, it is a peaceful summer day. To the residents of this complex it is a completely new experience.

One year ago, West Sacramento police were responding to calls from this complex (then known as Cyprus Grove) on an average of three times a day in answer to complaints of gang and drug activity, and domestic violence. An absentee owner had allowed the situation to escalate to such a degree that County workers referred to the area as a war zone and one worker recently recalled for the Sacramento Bee that he would only enter the area wearing a bullet proof vest.

During this time, Yolo Unite, which had been organizing community action in the community for a year, established an activity program for the many children in the complex. Complex residents were trained by the West Sacramento Parks & Recreation STAR program to run programs for various age levels on a daily basis under the supervision of Yolo Unite staff. The activity room was broken into and thrashed twice and staff walked the complex under the constant observation of resident gang members. And the police calls continued.

Finally in December of 1994, legal efforts against the owner ended with the complex being purchased by a local group. John Carvalho of Rivergate Partner's took on the seemingly impossible task of renewing the newly named Rivergate complex and within months the results were dramatic. A 24-hour security team immediately reduced the drug and gang traffic in the area. Gang members who had set up residence in abandoned apartments were removed and the entire complex was gutted and rebuilt. The results are astounding. Current management requires that potential residents are screened prior to signing a lease with the result that a drug-free zone and safe neighborhood has been created where once there seemed to be no hope. Yolo Unite has been given a beautiful apartment from which it will be operating programs.

The Rivergate conversion is a wonderful example of a commitment to urban renewal. For information on the Rivergate complex, call 372-3225. For information about Yolo Unite programs, call Cherry Carroll at 375-1902.

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Лето 1995, в Rivergate Apartment Complex в Западном Сакраменто. Цветы распустились на новых земляных клумбах и только слышатся некоторые звуки в воздухе заканчивающихся строительных работ. Обычному наблюдателю все это покажется летним и спокойным днем. Для новых жителей этого комплекса это выглядит как что-то новое и захватывающее.

Год назад полиция в Западном Сакраменто отвечала на звонки из этого комплекса (тогда еще именовавшегося как Cyprus Grove) в среднем три раза в день на жалобы жителей об уличных бандах, наркомании и домашних преступлениях и насилиях. Отсутствующий владелец дал возможность такой ситуации вырасти до такой степени, что районные работники считали это место "военной зоной" и как один работник недавно делился с Sacramento Bee, что он появился бы в том месте только одетым в бронежилет.

В течение этого времени Yolo Unite, которая организовала общественное движение, в продолжении одного года установила программу самодеятельности для многих детей в этом комплексе.

Жители комплекса были специально обучены в West Sacramento & Recreation Star Program тому, чтобы вести программы для различных возрастных групп ежедневно под наблюдением работников газеты Yolo Unite.

Клубная комната была разломана и охрана старалась держать весь комплекс под постоянным наблюдением за членами банд, проживающих в этом комплексе, но звонки в полицию продолжали поступать.

В конце концов в декабре 1994 года легальные попытки и усилия против владельца окончились приобретением этого комплекса местной группой работников.

Джон Ковало из Rivergate Partners сделал, казалось бы невозможное - обновление Rivergate комплекса. По истечении нескольких месяцев, результаты были очевидными.

Круглосуточная охрана явно уменьшила наркобизнес и существование дворовых банд в окружной местности.

Члены дворовых банд, которые вынудили жителей комплекса покинуть квартиры, были также выселены и весь комплекс был преобразован и перестроен. Результаты были поразительными. Настоящее руководство настаивает на том, чтобы будущие жители были тщательно проверены до подписания договора об аренде квартиры, с намерением сохранить комплекс и окружающую местность от наркобизнеса.

Для Yolo Unite также предоставлено новое помещение, в котором будут вестись программы.

Превращение комплекса Rivergate является прекрасным примером того, как желание и отдача могут изменить многое.

Для информации о Rivergate комплексе звоните по телефону 372-3225

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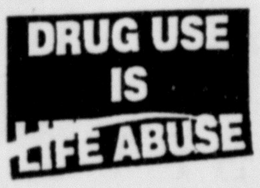
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* TOBACCO TIDINGS *

The Tobacco Education Program
Department of Public Health
666-8448
Diane Swann and Kathryn Shack

LOCAL UPDATE: High school students in West Sacramento have joined the fight against tobacco. Recently five students attended the fourth annual Gold Country Tobacco Coalition's Youth Summit. The five day summit held in Foothill Horizons in Sonora gave teens from 14 counties an opportunity to learn what they can do to prevent tobacco use in their communities.



Cherry Carroll of Yolo Unite, who recruited the teens, said she was impressed by their energy and dedication to the issue. Attending the conference was Ramon Cano, Sal Huizar, Ben Mora from River City High School, Andrea Morgan from Golden State Middle School, and Phillip Bennie from Yolo High School.

The goal of the summit was to train kids to be youth advocates for a tobacco-free future. Before they had even returned the teens had written a proclamation to Governor Wilson protesting the cut in Proposition 99 tobacco tax funds going toward health education.

STATEWIDE UPDATE: The survey results of Operation Storefront, Youth Against Tobacco Advertising and Promotion, show tobacco retailers near schools have more ads than retailers not located near stores.

Over 700 teenagers counted advertising in 5773 stores statewide. In Yolo County, 22 teens from Davis High School, Woodland High School and Yolo Continuation High surveyed 77 tobacco retailers in Davis, Woodland, and West Sacramento. The average number of ads per store was 25.

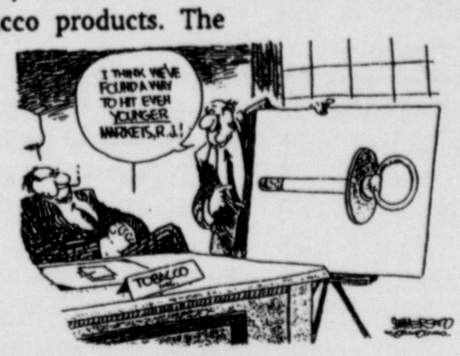
- By a four-fifths vote of the State Legislature the 20% of Proposition 99 fund (tobacco tax) going to health education was reduced to 10% and the 5% going to the research account was reduced to 1%. The bill, SB 493, was signed by the governor July 27th.

- July 1, the STAKE (StopTobacco Access to Kids Enforcement Act) Act went into effect. This law allows buying operations ("stings") using minors to determine if the stores are selling tobacco to underage youth.

California must reduce its sales to minors rate in order to remain eligible for certain federal grants for drug prevention. The STAKE Act is one means of reducing those sales.

NATIONWIDE: The tobacco industry is feeling the heat from the Food and Drug Administration, which wants to regulate tobacco products. The proposed regulations have not been made public, but are believed to include recommendations for a ban on the sale of cigarettes from unattended vending machines, stricter laws on tobacco sales to minors, curbs on advertising and promotions appealing to youth and additional warnings on packages. In response Philip Morris has launched a public relations program "Action Against Access" promising self-regulation.

Former president Jimmy Carter wrote in an op-ed in USA TODAY, August 3, "There have been many lost opportunities to impose reasonable rules of conduct on the tobacco industry. In every case, cigarette manufacturers have escaped by promising to curb teen-age smoking through their own efforts. As soon as the threat of effective restrictions has passed, they have continued to market their products to America's children." President Clinton is to decide on the issue.



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- Former President Jimmy Carter

FRIDAY NIGHT Live
The California Friday Night Live Program (FNL) is a peer program designed to prevent alcohol and drug use among teenagers. The real "work" of Friday Night Live is done by youth and includes activities, assemblies, conferences, events, community service, and FUN! Call them at 666-8659 today!
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The Healing Tree

By Sonia Mendoza

These days Hispano/Latinos often find themselves dislodged from family, community and tradition. many young people have not had the benefit of growing up in a culture close to its roots. In short, we are a community at risk. The message of the following story is as true today as it was when it was first told to me.

Once upon a time there was a community who gathered every evening around a tree in the town plaza to talk, celebrate their traditions and rituals, share their dreams and plan their future.



The community's main goal was to see the children grow up healthy, happy and wise. Laughter was very important to these people. They shared an enthusiasm for life. People were thoughtful and loving. If anyone got sick there was always someone ready to help and support the family. They planned and worked collectively for the community's development. Each person had something to do - a sense of purpose. Laziness and envy did not exist. Everyone had a responsibility to fulfill so that the community would grow healthy and happy.

One day, a flood destroyed most of the homes. The town was devastated. All that was left standing was the tree in the town plaza The federal government declared the town a disaster area and ordered the people resettled in other areas. No one would be allowed to remain where the town once stood. People were overwrought with grief. They felt desperate and displaced. Life would never be the same.

A well-respected elderly couple called a town meeting. People gathered around the healing tree to listen to their wisdom and to seek solace. The old man said, "It is natural to feel sadness and grief. It is not easy to pull up your roots and go far away. However, you must not think this is the end of the world. You must take your memories wherever you go. You must take with you the seeds of our dreams. This way, wherever you are, the seeds will flower and life will be easier for you." The old woman continued, "You must remember the principles we have shared; our enthusiasm for life, love for each other, commitment to the development of our people and sharing the responsibility for the common struggle. You can be sure that if you remember these principles wherever you are, we will always be connected."

One by one the people stopped crying and calmness slowly set in.

Everything happened just as the elders said. Families were separated but everyone knew they were still spiritually connected and they would never be torn apart.

Although they were not all together, the people felt as though they were still sharing their traditions, rituals and ceremonies, and planning their future around the healing tree.

Paintings of Hope by the Women of Harper House

An Exhibition
August 17 - September 22

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Yolo County
Administration Building
625 Court Street
Woodland

Images of self-worth and hope for the future, created by women sheltered at the Yolo County Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Center's Harper House, comprise this poignant show presented by the Yolo County Arts Council.

The mission of Harper House is to provide a safe environment and to encourage empowerment through education, counseling and resources to women and their children escaping domestic violence.

Women temporarily living in transitional housing at Harper House created the images displayed in this exhibition. The women came to Harper House, some with children, to escape domestic violence.

The art lessons were informally presented and were meant to encourage the women to make art a part of their new lives they were struggling to create. Although the women occasionally spoke of the abuse they experienced, the paintings reflect their courage and love of life - their hopes to embrace a better life, and their hopes to give back.

One young resident put it this way "Thank you for bringing this out of me. I didn't know I could do this painting."

The Harper House project was funded by the Nelson ARTfriends ARTREACH Project of UC Davis and coordinated by artist Beverley McQuillan. The faculty facilitator was Professor Conrad Atkinson with a special acknowledgement to Jeanette Treiber, Ph.D. of UCD.

Before Harper House

By M. Marie S.

Ugly, black and suffocating
the cloak of hate loomed
over her, as if its very
existence was a vital
sustenance to her soul.
The stifled sobs of
frustration and denial
were overwhelming in
their malevolent glee
over the proof that love truly
does not exist.
Struggling for a guaranteed,
safe passageway to an
island approachable
by neither man nor beast
containing all her worldly
needs, forever alone and
always at peace.

After Harper House

By M. Marie S.

Horizons beckon in the far-off distance
Allowing her the comfort and peace of safety
Reality is not a pleasant situation
Patience, dedication and honesty are called for
Each and everyone to follow, to
Realize their true dreams to come to life.

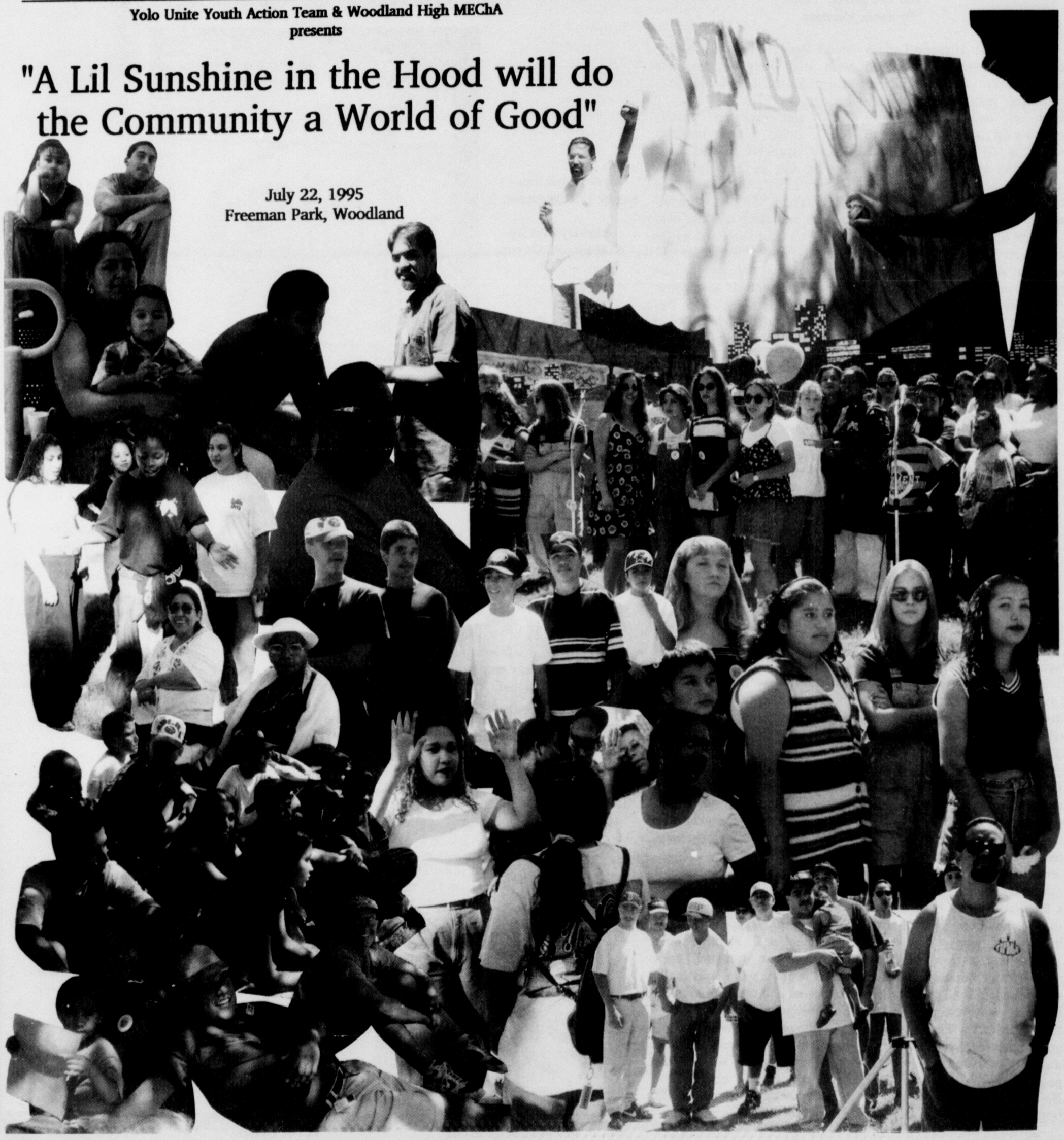
Here in the serenity of sisterhood
Our deepest thoughts and feelings are
Understood and explained to us in greater detail;
Shells of souls--fragments of the past
Each one of us was--now we are here, in safety.

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Yolo Unite Youth Action Team & Woodland High MEChA
presents

"A Lil Sunshine in the Hood will do the Community a World of Good"

July 22, 1995
Freeman Park, Woodland



WOODLAND

Seniors and Youth Unite!



Sunday, October 15 will mark the first Senior/Youth Fair in the City of Woodland. The fair, which will be held at the Yolo County Fairgrounds Picnic Area from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., is free to residents of Woodland.

This effort is being solely sponsored by community organizations and businesses throughout Woodland. So far, sponsoring this year's event are: Reveille Lions Club (who provided the funding to secure the Fairgrounds Picnic Area), Parks and Recreation Department, Senior Center, and Yolo County Public Health Department, Mental Health Association of Yolo County, Community Care Car (they will provide free transportation to seniors to and from the fair), Police Department, Six Star Factory Outlet, and many individuals throughout the city.

"The purpose of the fair is to bring seniors and youth together in a fun-filled environment to learn more about each other and share some meaningful time in various activities," says Kathleen Burton, a mental health professional and creator of the fair. "This fair will allow seniors and youth the opportunity to come together in support of each other."

Besides enjoying the presence of Woodland's finest seniors and youth, activities will include a Senior, Youth, Mental Health, and Health information screening booth; face painting; raffle (proceeds of which will go to Woodland Senior and Youth Programs); heaven in petland; cooperative play program; and an Adopt a Senior/Youth program plus much, much more! Oh, and of course, we can't forget the free food, served picnic style.

The health information and screening booth will be sponsored by the Public Health Department and will provide free blood pressure and vision screening, tetanus, flu, and childhood immunizations. The Police Department will sponsor the crime prevention booth providing information to both seniors and youth and a special crime prevention program specifically for youth. Parks and Recreation will not only sponsor the Youth Booth, but also provide a cooperative play program for both seniors and youth.

"Although there has been tremendous community support, we are still in need of many sponsors, raffle donations, and volunteers," said Burton. "The youth in Woodland have responded very favorably and with much enthusiasm," says Burton. "We are really in need of senior involvement. Anyone who would like to help can contact me at 662-4245."

Grandpa Doesn't Drink Anymore

Anonymous

We're waiting for him. He's in the bar. It seems like we've been sitting in this car for hours. A while ago, my sister and I got out of the car and pushed the bar's swinging door open and said "Dad, let's go." He answered, "After I finish this beer."

Has this happened to you? It happened to my momma. She told me about her father and how he got drunk every weekend and sometimes would stay drunk for days.

We hardly ever see Grandpa. He lives a long way away - on our reservation. Last weekend, we went to visit him. I had a great time. Grandpa took me in his boat and we went out in the river to check the net for fish. Grandpa is a good fisherman. Someday, when I get bigger, he is going to teach me how to fish.

My momma seemed happy while we were visiting. She said it was because Grandpa doesn't drink anymore. She said it was the best time she had spent with her dad in a long time. Grandpa seemed happy too. He made lots of jokes and laughed a lot. Momma said that he's like a new person.

I asked Grandpa why he quit drinking. He said that he was tired of feeling sick every morning and decided that he had enough. He said he prays every day and God helps him to be strong and to not drink.

Momma says that there are lots of important things that I can learn from Grandpa and that maybe, in a couple of years, I can come and stay with him for a couple of weeks in the summer. She said I couldn't stay if he was still drinking. I hope he doesn't start drinking again.

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Walking Each Other Home

Film maker confronts hate, violence

By Carolyn Jung

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When his 63-year-old Chinese-American mother was killed nine years ago by a black man who broke into her Oakland hills home, Lee Mun Wah's life was forever changed.

He watched as his father and brothers and sisters outfitted themselves with guns and elaborate security systems. But rather than try to block out the hate and violence in the world as they did, Lee confronted it.

The result has been a series of workshops and two documentary films in which Lee - once an aspiring attorney and now a therapist and film maker - has tried hard to force men to face their fears, overcome their prejudices and work together.

His latest venture is "The Color of Fear," a 90-minute film on racism. "What happened to my mother tore me open rather than drag me down," said Lee, 47, of Berkeley. "I learned you can't lock fear out. You have to walk through it. You have to trust people again, as well as yourself."

That's the message of his $60,000 film, financed by donations, grants and Lee's own money. The film maker gathered nine men - black, white, Asian-American, and Hispanic - for three days in Ukiah, where they talked, screamed and cried with one another.

The men, all from the Bay Area and all appearing in a movie for the first time, were chosen for their passion and honesty, Lee said. The men talk about childhood taunts, about growing up with no role models, about giving up their ethnicity to become Americans.

One white man in the film, who acknowledges he's a racist, can't understand why minorities just don't stand on their own two feet like he does.

Replies one black man in the film, "Not all men can stand on their own ground. Some men stand on other men and on other women... You live in a world where when you drive up, the spikes lay down for you. For people of color, the spikes are coming right at us."

For the past eight years, Lee has been the leader of two men's groups - one Asian, one multicultural - that deal with racism, anger and the development of community leadership. Even so, Lee was startled by some of the emotions revealed in the film.

"What surprised me was the amount of rage and grief we hold inside," said Lee. "I never stop being astounded by how much damage racism has done and how often we're survivors of it."

Lee said he believes violence is spurred by poverty and racism. And he said most media foster racism with stereotypes and by the absence of racial and ethnic diversity. His goal is to use the same medium to change all that.

Lee's first film, "Stolen Ground," won a certificate of merit at the San Francisco International Film Festival - not bad for someone who never went to film school.

Lee, who would have been at his mother's home that fateful day had it not been for a last-minute meeting, still is haunted by her death. But his odyssey has come full circle. The day after he finished filming "The Color of Fear," he read a newspaper article about how the man who had killed his mother and five other people had been sentenced to life in prison without parole.

"That day, I felt like my whole life could have gone so differently, Lee said. "I would have never done this work otherwise. I hope people watch this film and gain an understanding of each other, about how racism affects us and about how we've all lost something because of it."

Yolo County Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs presents "Walking Each Other Home", a workshop on ethnic diversity and racism with Lee Mun Wah on Thursday, September 28 at the United Methodist Church, 212 Second Street from 12:30 - 5:00 p.m.

This powerful, experiential seminar addresses diversity with a focus on ethnicity and racism and their impact on our ability to promote healthy communities. For more information, call 666-8650.

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EDITORIAL

CRIME IN THE USA

Communities drawing a line in the streets

By Bruce Frankel
USA TODAY

A sharp drop in urban crime is looking less like a fluke and more like the result of better policing practices, more community involvement and a big dose of old-fashioned public outrage.

NEW YORK - Over the past five years the nation has moved away from a helpless acceptance of the inevitability of violent crime and toward a shared belief that violence has to stop, crime analysts say.

That may be the single most important factor in a sharp drop in urban crime many believed was so stubborn it would be a permanent blight on the landscape of the USA.

"What unites all these cities more than policing is a broad-based, informal commitment to stop and reverse violence," says Christopher Stone of the Vera Institute for Justice.

Falling homicide rates are being paid special attention because murder is the one of the most reliable crime statistics: almost all killings are reported. But experts say that what's most astonishing is how sweeping the declines are across all categories.

But opinions differ on where the nation is headed. Some analysts say demographics account for much of the drop and, if that's true, another crime wave could be on its way.

A bulging teen population enters the crime-prone years early in the next century. Some criminologists warn that cities could be awash in blood unless the nation redoubles its efforts now to prevent youth violence by increasing aid for pre-school care and education, drug and child abuse prevention programs, and jobs for at-risk youths.

all it takes is getting communities to stand up to violent youths and making police more efficient," says Joseph Sheley of Tulane University.

Others argue that the decline is evidence that higher levels of crime are not inevitable.

"It's possible that this epidemic has passed, life is returning to normal and the alarmist view of steadily skyrocketing crime is wrong," says criminologist Sam Walker.

Police initiatives - such as using computer analyses to target high-crime areas and patterns of criminality, gang task forces aimed at taking guns away from young people, storefront police station and more cops - also deserve credit, says Houston Police Chief Sam Nuchia.

But even he says the most potent weapon against violence has been the growing public recognition that police can't stop crime by themselves, plus an almost revolutionary community resolve to take responsibility for restoring normality.

"The citizens are tired of crime and being victims. This attitude of wanting to do something about it now crosses all lines of race, economics and age," he says. Even some of the city's toughest neighborhoods are supporting police efforts.

Criminologists say pinpointing the reason for the decline in violent crime in cities is all but impossible. Nor is the pattern uniform; violence has increased Milwaukee and Tucson.

Until very recently, crime has increased steadily in rural and suburban areas, although they generally remain far safer than large cities. And while Americans seem more afraid of crime, figures for 1994 show slight declines in crime in every region in the country.

New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who has made crime-fighting a cornerstone of his administration, chafes at suggestions that demographics or other factors out of community and police control help to explain the drop in violence. He says decreasing crime comes from a "team effort that starts at the top" and extends to the "newest and youngest police officer."

New York police Commissioner William Bratton says: "It's not the weather, it's not crack cocaine, it's not demographics."

Officials say Bratton has commanded a highly systematic attack on crime, including computerized pin maps used to shift patrols to where the worst crime is.

He also has ordered local precinct police to resume responsibilities that have rested exclusively with special squads, such as narcotics, for years. Beat officers are again making drug busts, going after fencing operations and pursuing warrants. They're also aggressively attacking annoying subways, urinating in public, people with squeegees pestering motorists.

New York police are operating on the theory that controlling street disorder sends an important signal that crime will not be tolerated, cuts down the opportunities for crime and reduces public fear. Such misdemeanor arrests have increased in almost direct proportion to the decrease in violent crimes.

"It's truly amazing what's happening. There's a cumulative effect to these strategies that's greater than the sum of its parts," says Thomas Reppetto of the Citizens Crime Commission in New York.

Police in New York and Chicago are reporting another significant change: They're recovering about 20% fewer firearms from the people they arrest. Federal agents say new gun laws may have stemmed the free flow of weapons from states with minimal restrictions on gun sales. In Chicago, a new felony gun law appears to be working.

Even battle-hardened New Yorkers see changes.

"I guess crime is going down," says Kay Hill, 78. "I haven't been mugged lately. Not for four or five years."

The "only real crime I hear about is what I read about in the newspapers," says Mike Orent, 48, a salesman. He sees "fewer crackheads" and more cops.

"And look how they redid the extensively restored Bryant Park near New York's 42nd Street Library. "It's that kind of thing that makes the city feel safer."

Kenny Wright, 30, a medical technician student, says this is no time to let down the guard. "Even if the crime rate is dropping, you've got to be careful. You shouldn't be out walking the streets alone at night."

Adell Goldstein, 89, a retired bookkeeper, says: "Personally I feel safe, but then we're very careful. We rarely ever go out at night anymore and then only with a group."

By mobilizing communities, "you put pressure on criminals," says Patrick Murphy of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. "Since patrol cars arrived, police have been trying to do it by themselves. They can't. They need people - their ears and eyes."

"We're rising out of the ashes," says police Commander Leroy O'Shield of Chicago's Austin District. He credits a host of police-community partnerships, from street watch programs to mentoring to nuisance abatement programs.

The transformation of community attitudes, from passivity to outrage, "has been quite a change," says Elliot Currie, a criminologist who lectures at the University of California-Berkeley. "It's my guess that's what's bearing fruit."

What's working in fight against crime

A combination of factors is behind the decline in violent crime in many of the nation's biggest cities, analysts say:

- Growing community intolerance of crime.
- Community policing practices that re-establish trust between residents and officers on the beat. The practices include having regular problem-solving meetings and encouraging officers to get other agencies involved in efforts to change conditions, such as abandoned housing or darkened street lights, that foster crime. In return, police get their strongest weapon: information.
- Strategic policing: computer mapping of crime hot spots and targeting those areas with anti-violence task forces.
- Vigorous law enforcement on all levels of crime, not just criminal activity involving violence or other felonies.
- Police pursuit of all outstanding arrest warrants.
- Innovative anti-violence, conflict resolution, gang and truancy prevention programs for young people. Also, more community rewards for good academic and civic performance by youths of all ages.

EDITORIAL

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Near death, Mantle knew which role mattered most



DIANA GRIEGO ERWIN

recovery happens

Once it became know that Mickey Mantle was dead, a woman interviewed by a television crew said something that will be my lasting impression of the baseball legend's life.

She was an older woman with curly orangish hair and a shyness about her, and she looked uncomfortable talking sports. Obviously stopped on the street, she admitted to not knowing much of anything about Mantle. She'd never even seen the legendary slugger bat.

But she did respect the man, she said, not because of any feats at the plate, but because of "that thing" he said to kids about not viewing him as a role model.

That thing was the sentiment expressed by Mantle in his final days - the one that has raised Mantle from the status of a supremely gifted athlete to a bona fide hero in my eyes.

"You talk about a role model," Mantle said during his last news conference July 11. He jabbed his thumb at himself, a gesture that some said seemed angry. "This is a role model: Don't be like me."

The Mick seemed to know that because the generation he was addressing had never seen him at bat - couldn't recite, by heart, his 536 career home runs - that perhaps they had a shot at seeing him as he really was.

Which was the man he found staring back from the mirror when he finally admitted himself to the Betty Ford Clinic for treatment of alcoholism last year.

A man who had tortured his body with a potent and continuous mixture of brandy, wine and other spirits for all his adult life; a man whose excessive drinking was responsible, doctors acknowledged, for a weakened liver ravaged by cirrhosis and hepatitis C. Then there was, sadly, the cancer no treatment could halt, a ravenous cancer that spread from his liver to his abdomen, his lungs and then beyond.

"God gave me the ability to play baseball, and I wasted it," Mantle said after telling kids to pick another role model. "I'm going to spend the rest of my life trying to make up. I want to start giving something back. It seems to me that all I've done is have fun and take.

"What I want to do now is give the word to the kids not to drink, do drugs or anything like that. I think the family - Mom and Dad - ought to be the role model."

At that last press conference, the speedy switch-hitter whose powerful bat once left crowds slack-jawed had vowed to commit the rest of his life to this message and to help promote organ donation.

He was upbeat that day and still angling to win the game. But the cancer's lead in the ninth was too great. The rest of his life amounted to 33 days.

While we praise the Hall of Famer for his final, courageous message, we should ponder the feelings we hold for other celebrities with personal lives as troubled as Mantle's.

It is a queer human characteristic, the mindless benevolence we feel for addicted, self-abusing individuals - if they are celebrities.

No, we can't be bothered with sympathy or excuses anymore for the homeless addict on the street corner still trying to extinguish those painful, heartsick memories from Vietnam.

Or those driven to darkness by the painful memories of child abuse.

Our society has decided that such people are unworthy of our sentiments. We call them social leeches. When faced with their filth and despair - when the traffic light won't turn green fast enough - we look through them as though they were invisible. We wish they were.

But celebrities seem to be another matter entirely.

We deify them. Pay homage to them. Host anniversary pilgrimages to the places they loved best.

We call them tortured, creative souls, but, in reality, they were also run-of-the-mill addicts. Jerry Garcia. John Belushi. Kurt Cobain. Janis Joplin. Elvis.

If anything, they had more options in life than the homeless veteran on the street, but we do not think less of them for this. They had the means for treatment, the contacts, and presumably the caring friends, but this is rarely noted.

The similarities between the celebrity addicts and street users are just as striking. River Phoenix, after all, died on a dirty sidewalk in West Hollywood while the beautiful people danced and partied inside.

But unlike Mantle, the boyish movie star with the honest face never got to tell his friends and family goodbye.

If Mantle was blessed, it is that in the end the immortal slugger saw his own mortality clearly and tried to make amends for the years wasted and lost. People who know little of baseball and nothing particular of Mantle's accomplishments will remember him for that. Like the older woman on TV with the curly, orangish hair.

"Don't be like me," he admonished us all.

You can only hope that a few of those listening will take the advice.

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